WEATHER FORECAST
For 36 hours ending 5 p. m. Friday:
Victoria and vicinity—Strong winds or gales, mostly easterly and southerly, unsettled and milder, with rain.
Lower Mainland—Easterly winds, fresh to high on the Gulf, unsettled and milder, with sleet or rain.

Victoria Daily Times

WHERE TO GO TO-NIGHT
Royal—German Fleet's Surrender.
Pantages—Vaudeville.
Dominion—The Reason Why. Chaplin.
Variety—Her Man.
Columbia—Dead Shot Baker.
Romano—Hell Bent.
Arena—Skating.

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MUTINOUS SAILORS IN BERLIN HELD OUT FOR A TIME BUT GAVE UP

Nearly 100 Persons Killed During Fighting: Sailors Defied Government Troops and Held Red Palace; Later Hoisted White Flag; Under Guard

London, Dec. 26.—The mutinous sailors who had been holding out in the Red palace in Berlin have hoisted the white flag and have been allowed to leave under guard, according to advices from Berlin sent by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Amsterdam. Government troops, this message adds, now occupy the palace and the royal stables.

London, Dec. 26.—Nearly 100 persons were killed in street fighting which began in Berlin on Tuesday morning, according to the latest reports from the German capital, transmitted by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Copenhagen. The Republican Guards tried several times to take the Royal stables and the headquarters of the revolting sailors but were repulsed.

A large number of the soldiers belonging to the Berlin Guard joined the sailors, The Vorwaerts reports, and a few of the Republican Guard followed their example. When these reports were sent to Copenhagen a large number of armed civilians was continuing to pen the sailors, not only in the royal stables, but in the Koenigstrasse. This street, with all its houses, was reported in the hands of the sailors, who were supported by the Spartacus. They demanded that Premier Ebert and Secretary Haase resign and be replaced by George Ledebour and Dr. Karl Liebknecht.

Dr. Liebknecht, the report adds, went to the Chancellor's Palace and had a long conference with the Ministers, the result of which was unknown.

Further fighting was anticipated as the Spartacus adherents and the sailors were said to have decided to attempt to force the Guards to return to Potsdam. The latter were stationed in Unter Den Linden and on Werderschen Platz.

Would Not Leave.

Paris, Dec. 26.—(Havas.)—Details of the clash between sailors and Government troops in Berlin on the night of December 23-24 are given in a Berlin dispatch received by way of Berne. Efforts were made in vain to induce the marines to leave Berlin, and especially the castle where they had established themselves and remained since the beginning of the revolution. They were informed that they would not receive their pay if they did not leave the castle. The marines eventually occupied military headquarters after sending a delegation to the military commander of Berlin demanding that 80,000 marks be paid to them. At the same time a detachment of marines attacked the soldiers occupying the University buildings. In an exchange of machine gun fire three marines were killed and four wounded.

Later a delegation was sent to the Chancellor's palace to discuss the situation with Chancellor Ebert, Richard Barth, secretary of the Independent Social Democrat party, and Landsberg, a Socialist member of the Reichstag. The marines put these men under arrest, but after a long discussion they released them. The Berlin commander also was arrested and the amount of money alleged to be due the marines was seized.

Joined Mutineers.

London, Dec. 26.—The Alexander and Franz Regiments openly joined the revolting sailors in Berlin. Advices sent from Berlin late Christmas night predicted that nearly the entire Berlin garrison would support them, leaving the Government without troops.

These advices were sent by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Copenhagen. They added that large numbers of sailors were reported to be coming from Kiel to join their comrades in Berlin.

800 Sailors.

London, Dec. 26.—An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen, telling of the fighting in Berlin, says a force of 800 sailors on Monday formed a guard and seized the Red castle, one of the former royal palaces. They blocked the main streets and entered the public buildings and arrested Wels, the military commander of Berlin, Fischer, his adjutant, and a Dr. Bongard.

The Republican Guard, with machine guns and artillery, bombarded the castle. Holes were made in the walls, the porches were destroyed and all the windows smashed. The balcony from which former Kaiser Wilhelm once made his speeches in which he declared "I know no party," was partly smashed. The Guard eventually occupied the castle, but the sailors were still holding another large building at the time the dispatch was filed.

The square in front of the castle was littered with stones and missiles.

Government Refused.

Berlin, Dec. 25.—Via London, Dec. 26.—The organization of sailors proposed ten days ago that it be authorized to organize a sailors' guard of 5,000 men, The Lokal Anzeiger reports. The suggestion was coupled with a demand for greatly increased wages and back pay to November 9.

The Government, the paper adds, declined to entertain the proposition.

U. S. DREADNOUGHTS BACK AT NEW YORK

Ten Battleships Welcomed Home To-day After Service in European Waters

New York, Dec. 26.—Led by the super-dreadnought Arizona, ten battleships, under command of Admiral Henry Mayo, the vanguard of the United States fleet in Europen waters, steamed up New York Harbor to-day in review before Secretary of the Navy Daniels and were greeted with a tumultuous reception by harbor craft and hundreds of thousands of persons who lined the shores.

The ships weighed anchor at 7.30 o'clock to-day and were escorted by a fleet of twenty-one aeroplanes, proceeded slowly up the river up to the Statue of Liberty, where Secretary Daniels and a party of distinguished guests on the Presidential yacht Mayflower reviewed the inspiring procession. The ships welcomed home are the Pennsylvania, Arizona, Oklahoma, Nevada, Utah, New York, Texas, Arkansas, Wyoming and Florida.

In addition to Secretary Daniels and other members of the Cabinet, the reviewing party included Admiral Grant, of the British navy, the senior naval attache of the Allied Embassies at Washington.

Wounded Men Return.

New York, Dec. 26.—Following the home-coming battle fleet into port today came the British liner Saxonia, from Liverpool, with 1,400 sick and wounded officers and men, mostly surgical cases.

Soldiers Celebrated.

Neufchatel, Dec. 25, via London, Dec. 26.—Christmas was celebrated by 5,000 American soldiers here to-day. Miss Margaret Wilson, daughter of the President, participated. Gifts of toys and clothing were given to the children of the vicinity.

Will Sell Mules.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Forty-five thousand mules and horses, part of the American army's surplus supply, will be sold at auction at camps throughout the country next month. The sales will be held January 7, 14, 21 and 28.

FOOD FROM STATES TO THE BELGIANS

180,000 Tons of Supplies, Including Clothing, to Be Sent Monthly

Washington, Dec. 26.—Physical damage wrought in Belgium by the German armies is described in a cablegram received by the Food Administration from Herbert C. Hoover, who, with William B. Poland, European Director of the Commission for Relief in Belgium, has just completed a survey of conditions in the liberated country.

On the basis of Mr. Hoover's report the Food Administration announced to-day that hereafter 180,000 tons of supplies, including clothing, will be shipped to Belgium each month. As the programme will require 160,000 deadweight tons of shipping in addition to the 340,000 tons now on charter to the Relief Commission, application for additional tonnage has been made to the United States Shipping Board.

KILLED BY TRAIN.

Seattle, Dec. 26.—Roy Buckley, aged twenty-four, a sailor at the naval training station on the University of Washington campus, died at 8 o'clock this morning at the City Hospital as the result of being run over by a train which he was trying to board at Ballard last night.

Buckley, in company with Louis Hanlon, came down from Vancouver, B. C., on the evening Great Northern train.

PROBLEM OF 1919 WHEAT IN STATES

Washington, Dec. 26.—Legislation to make effective the wheat price guarantee for the 1919 crop and at the same time to safeguard the Government against losses was recommended to Congress to-day by the Department of Agriculture and the Food Administration.

Germans Return Loot They Took From Banks in Northern France

Paris, Dec. 26.—The Germans have returned stocks taken from the banks in Northern France amounting approximately to 6,000,000,000 francs.

Several safes, weighing from five to seven tons each, which the Germans had not opened and are now in Brussels, will be brought back shortly to Valenciennes.

Uruguayan Troops Ordered Ready to Put Down Disorders

Montevideo, Dec. 26.—The Government has ordered the mobilization of units of the army in the face of the threatened labor troubles throughout the republic. Foreign agitators (Russians) have been busy for several days endeavoring to foment a general strike.

TROOPS MAY RETURN FROM SIBERIA IN SUMMER MONTHS, OR EVEN DURING SPRING

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—So far as official advices are concerned, the Dominion Government is without intimation of any change in Allied plans which will affect the status of the Canadian force in Siberia. It is expected, however, that the stay of the force in Siberia will not exceed in time the demobilization of the Canadian Corps, now in the Rhine territory. Announcement already has been made that it is not intended to retain the Siberian force in the Far East longer than twelve months following the signing of the armistice. But an early return of the men will depend on the policy of the Allies, although there is every likelihood that should the situation warrant, the men will be back in the course of the coming summer, and perhaps earlier.

The complexities of the Russian situation are such that it is impossible to determine whether any changes in the Canadian plans are likely to be made in the immediate future. And while no official advices are to hand, considerable interest is taken in the news dispatches from Paris that the Allied Governments have decided against further intervention in Russia.

Comment is withheld, however, for the time being as to the bearing of any such decision, if taken, on the position of Canadian troops already in Siberia.

PRESIDENT OF U. S. LANDED AT DOVER

Welcomed There To-day by Duke of Connaught and Others

Dover, Eng., Dec. 26.—The weather was bright and crisp this morning and Dover wore a festal appearance with its decorations and its animated throngs ready to welcome President and Mrs. Wilson. Their arrival was signalled by the firing of a royal salute. Large crowds lined the Admiralty pier and its approaches long before the President came ashore.

The Duke of Connaught and his suite, accompanied by John W. Davis, the American Ambassador to Britain, Earl Reading, British Ambassador to the United States, Lord Herschel and the Mayor of Dover, were on the pier to meet the visitors. The Mayor presented an address of welcome to the President.

Reviewed Guard.

President Wilson then reviewed the guard of honor from the naval garrison at Dover.

The scene in the harbor as the Presidential vessel entered was an animated one. Aeroplanes and seaplanes in large numbers circled overhead, while the warships in the harbor, which joined the shore batteries in firing the salute, were gaily decorated.

Quick Voyage.

The steamer Brighton, on which the President crossed the Channel, had a quick and smooth passage and arrived at Dover at mid-day. She was met at Calais by Sir Charles Cust, the King's Equerry, and Vice-Admiral Sir Roger Keyes, who accompanied the Presidential party to Dover. Four French destroyers escorted the Brighton to mid-channel, where British destroyers and a dozen aeroplanes took over the duty.

The President was greeted by the Duke of Connaught. After reviewing the guard of honor, he passed through the covered way to the station, where the Mayor of Dover and the Council in their scarlet robes of office extended a formal welcome. The address was read by Sir Abord King, the city's Recorder.

The President replied briefly to the address.

Roses in Path.

As President Wilson walked to the train a dozen girls wearing the American colors strewed roses in his path. All this time the aeroplanes had been hovering over the pier and the station, and as the special train bearing the President headed for the capital, the airmen also headed for London, accompanying the train all the way.

In reply to the address of welcome, President Wilson said:

"We have come through many serious times together and therefore can regard each other in a new light as comrades and associates, because only men who have passed through a like condition can reach a common understanding and a common purpose. . . . It is therefore with the deepest emotion and particular gratification that I find myself here afforded the opportunity of matching my mind with the minds of those who with a like intention, are proposing to do the best they can and that can be done in the great settlement of the struggle."

FIVE PERSONS KILLED.

Chickasha, Okla., Dec. 26.—Five persons lost their lives and twenty-seven were injured, ten of them seriously, when a St. Louis and San Francisco freight train crashed into a passenger train at Norge, Okla., six miles southwest of Chickasha, yesterday.

Berlin and Danzig Are Out of Touch by Telephone Now

Berlin, Dec. 25.—Telephone communication between Berlin and Danzig has been interrupted since Tuesday evening.

Attempts to communicate with the Baltic port by way of Posen have failed.

Danzig was occupied last week by Polish troops from France under command of General Hatter.

Total Losses of Italy During War Given as 2,800,000

New York, Dec. 26.—Italy's total losses in killed, wounded, dead of disease, disabled, missing and prisoners aggregate 2,800,000, according to Colonel Ugo Pizzarello, of the Italian army, who is here on a mission for his Government. He gave out figures to-day amplifying an announcement made in Paris last month by Salvatore Barzilai, a former member of the Cabinet, that Italy had lost 500,000 men in killed or died of wounds in the war.

Disease alone took a toll of 300,000 men in the war zone, he said, while the number of killed was 500,000 and the wounded, missing and prisoners 2,000,000.

CARRANZA IS GIVEN POWER TO REMOVE DUTIES ON IMPORTS

Mexico City, Dec. 26.—Extraordinary powers in financial matters have been extended to President Carranza by the Chambers of Deputies. This action was taken after the President had sent a message to the Chamber outlining the necessity for such powers.

Under the new authority granted, President Carranza is expected soon to issue a decree removing until June 30, 1919, import duties on foodstuffs, articles of prime necessity to the country, on agricultural implements and irrigation machinery.

MAKINO, JAPANESE PEACE DELEGATE, IN U. S., GOING TO FRANCE

San Francisco, Dec. 26.—Baron Nobuaki Makino, head of the Japanese delegation en route to the peace conference, arrived here to-day from Japan on the steamship Tenyo Maru. The party, which includes several high Government officials of Japan, will depart for New York to-morrow.

GENERAL SEMENOFF REPORTED WOUNDED BY BOMB IN THEATRE

Harbin, Dec. 23.—Delayed—General Semenoff was wounded in the legs and ten other persons were injured when a man wearing a uniform threw a bomb in a theatre in Chita recently, according to advices from that city.

W. C. FINDLAY WILL TESTIFY AT INQUIRY

Ex-Prohibition Commissioner May Be First Man Called in Vancouver

IS IN TERMINAL CITY AGAIN TO-DAY

Vancouver, Dec. 26.—W. C. Findlay, former Commissioner under the Prohibition Act in British Columbia, is back in Vancouver to-day. He will be the star witness at the inquiry before Mr. Justice Clement into the operation of the alleged whisky ring. He may possibly be called as the first witness when the investigation opens at the courthouse here to-morrow.

Findlay, it is understood, has agreed to lay bare everything on a promise of immunity from further prosecution. He will tell the whole story, according to a report from Victoria to-day.

If Findlay had not voluntarily returned he probably would have been arrested to-day. Leaving Victoria nine days ago, he stayed several days in Seattle and then went to Portland, where it is said he used the name of "J. Z. White."

On account of the prominence given to the case the police of the cities across the line were upon the watch for Findlay and consequently were informed of his movements.

Greatly Worried.

Reports indicate plainly that Findlay's position weighed heavily upon his mind, and his actions during the nine days plainly showed that he considered himself a fugitive in every sense of the word, although he had formally satisfied the law upon the specific charge of importing 700 cases of rye whisky into this province contrary to law.

While in Seattle Findlay, unknown to himself, was under surveillance. There had been telephone communication regarding him between Chief McRae, of Vancouver, and the head of the Seattle detective force. At that time there was no additional charge against him, and although Findlay was not classified as "wanted," the Seattle officers kept track of him as far as possible, having been informed that there might be later developments calling for action on their part.

Reports indicate that on December 16, after Findlay had appeared in the Vancouver police court, and paid the $1,000 fine imposed by Magistrate Shaw, he immediately embarked upon the Victoria boat. Information supplied is to the effect that Findlay had no trouble in passing through the American immigration barriers, because a day or so preceding his punishment in police court here he is alleged to have interviewed an American immigration man in Victoria, stated his position clearly, asserting that on Monday morning he was going to Vancouver to be "ruined" discredited and crucified," and that after having satisfied the law he wished to travel back through Victoria to Seattle and "start over again" there with a clean sheet.

To Portland.

Under a surveillance, which appeared to be the thing he most dreaded, Findlay is said to have remained in Seattle until last week end, when he set out for Portland.

Separation from his wife and family during the days in Seattle when Findlay feared that additional charges would be laid, were said to have had a visible effect upon the ex-Commissioner. A person who saw him in Seattle toward the end of last week asserted that Findlay apparently was in a state of nervous exhaustion, and was vehement in his declaration that unless he could see his wife and boy he would go insane. It was said that the ex-Commissioner was wan, drawn and exceedingly nervous, and apparently undecided as to his future course of action. It also was said that he changed his place of residence while in Seattle under the fear that he was being watched.

When the Seattle police received word from Vancouver on Tuesday morning that the Vancouver authorities wanted Findlay detained, an answer subsequently was sent back to the effect that the ex-Commissioner had moved on to Portland, where he was believed to be living under an assumed name.

First Deal.

To intimate friends Findlay is said to have declared, along with an admission of his guilt, that he had been caught at the first "crooked" turn he had made. He is said to have consistently declared that he knew nothing of the importation of more than the one carload of whisky, in which he was interested. The $2,300 which was found on his person when arrested in flight at Blaine on the night of December 11, was his entire wealth, he stated to friends. Out of this sum he paid his fine, his lawyer's fee and left some money with his wife. In Seattle he had only a few hundred dollars left, he said.

ALLIES DECIDE NEUTRALS WILL NOT HAVE DELEGATES AT THE PEACE CONFERENCE

Paris, Dec. 26.—The Allied representatives have decided that neutral nations will not be admitted to the peace conference, according to newspapers here. Neutrals may address their claims to belligerents, however, and such claims will be referred to a special body which will be created by the peace conference.

It is reported that neutrals will participate in deliberations incident to the formation of a league of nations.

WILSON IS IN LONDON, A GUEST OF KING AND QUEEN AT BUCKINGHAM

American President and Mrs. Wilson Reached Capital of Empire To-day and Were Officially Welcomed and Greeted by Great Throngs

London, Dec. 26.—President and Mrs. Wilson were in Buckingham Palace this afternoon after a journey from Calais to London during which they were accorded all the honors given royalty. Never has a royal progress, except during great national ceremonials, excited such interest here as the first state visit of an American President.

The drive of the short procession from the station to the Palace was made through the streets lined with the Guard regiments in khaki. Fresh flags hung overhead and covered buildings, while windows, balconies, sidewalks and open spaces were filled with people many of whom wore the American colors.

It was a brief spectacle. First came the Sovereign's escort of troops from the Household Cavalry, with helmets and steel cuirasses. Then came the carriages with King George and President Wilson and Queen Mary and Mrs. Wilson and Princess Mary. These were followed by three others, which passed almost unnoticed, as all eyes were on Mr. and Mrs. Wilson and the Royal Family.

Route of Procession.

Although the trip was a short one it lay through a most interesting section of London. From Charing Cross the route ran along the north side of Trafalgar Square, with the Nelson monument towering on the left and the National Galleries on the right, its grey walls almost covered by huge American and British flags. It continued along Pall Mall, turning north at St. James Place and up St. James Street to Picadilly, the chief landmarks along this stage being the solid, weather-worn buildings of the old London clubs now decked with bunting they keep for special occasions. The procession drove westward along the north side of Picadilly, passing a tract of clubs and big hotels and palatial residences, notably the home of the Duke of Devonshire, with the Red Cross flag over it, and the residence of the Duke of Wellington, at the entrance of Hyde Park, where the procession turned.

Between Piccadilly and Buckingham Palace there stretches Green Park, which was dark with people. The party drove past Wellington Arch and along the southern side of the park, flanked on the right by the wall of the Palace Grounds, and then into the broad plaza before the Palace and through the iron gates into the Palace forecourt.

Great Crowds.

Probably the most interesting part of the spectacle for the President was the people who were crowded everywhere to greet him. The day being a holiday, working men and women had a chance to turn out with their small children. They made the most of their opportunity and to no stratum of British humanity could the President have made a stronger appeal.

Station Decorated.

While the formal features and events were well staged and managed, the human factor presented the most interest. The interior of the grimy old station where King George welcomed Mr. Wilson was carpeted with red and the walls and roofs were hidden behind masses of flags. Club windows were mostly monopolized by men, while the hotels and stores along the way were filled with gay parties only less interesting than those on the streets.

That such masses of American flags could be produced at such short notice was a revelation of London's resources and none appreciated them more than the American soldiers and bluejackets among the spectators.

An Address.

On Board President Wilson's Special Train en route to Calais, Dec. 26.—(Associated Press.)—At least one very important address may be expected from President Wilson while he is in the United Kingdom. It may define his line of thought more clearly on the issues in which Britain is so deeply interested. He will take the opportunity to do this in the course of conferences he will hold with Mr. Lloyd George, Rt. Hon. A. J. Balfour, Foreign Secretary, and Rt. Hon. Andrew Bonar Law.

Clear Day.

London, Dec. 26.—Before President Wilson's arrival here to-day it seemed as if London was to have its coldest day of the winter. There was ice on the streets and a white frost on the grass. Fortunately, however, there was neither rain nor fog which usually prevails in December.

Before 11 o'clock streets in the West End were filled with holiday throngs while hundreds of workmen put the finishing touches to the decorations, some of which had been blown down during the night. Across St. James Street was a huge banner with the words "The Citizens of Westminster Welcome President Wilson," in gold letters.

Splendid Reception.

There was splendid co-operation among all concerned for the carrying out of the arrangements planned for the President's reception. The parade moved smoothly according to programme. It was witnessed by such an outpouring of people and amid such enthusiasm as London had never known except upon the occasion of the coronations and of Queen Victoria's Jubilee in 1897. There was general agreement among Londoners that no visiting head of a state had ever been given such an ovation as that accorded President Wilson.

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CASE OF SMALLPOX ON A TROOPSHIP

Northland, With Nearly 1,000 Returning Men Aboard, Anchored Off Halifax

Halifax, Dec. 26.—Up to a late hour to-day no word had been received from Ottawa with reference to the steamship Northland, in quarantine here with nearly 1,000 returning troops aboard, and the ship is still lying in the stream awaiting a decision as to whether or not she is to be docked.

Among the officers on board is Capt. Thomas Griffith, M.C., 923 Burdette Avenue, Victoria.

The Northland arrived yesterday morning with 1,056 passengers, seventy-seven of them being civilians and the remainder returning soldiers. It was expected that the ship would dock at 10 o'clock yesterday forenoon. However, it developed when the medical officer went aboard that there was one case of smallpox and one of scarlet fever among the passengers. This made it impossible for the ship to be docked or disembarkation to take place and the vessel remained at anchor in the stream. The two sick men were removed to the quarantine station and Ottawa was notified.

On the assumption that word would come from Ottawa allowing the vessel to be docked, the disembarkation staff was at the pier at 9 a.m. to-day, having been directed to attend.

CHICAGO ALSATIANS CELEBRATE RETURN OF PROVINCES TO FRANCE

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Messages from King George, President Poincare and Marshal Joffre were read last night at a "Victory" dinner and dance by which several hundred Chicago members of the Association Generale des Alsaciens-Lorrains celebrated the return of their beloved provinces to France. The greetings were read by Felix Wildenstein, secretary, who represented the New York branch. Lieut. Louis Ricaud represented the French High Commission.

Mr. Wildenstein said the restoration of the province has accomplished only half the task set for natives of Alsace-Lorraine.

"The task of developing the industries of the countries still confronts us," he said. "American enterprise can do more toward restoring Alsace-Lorraine to its former status commercially than any of us realize."

HAVENSTEIN, HEAD OF GERMAN REICHSBANK, GIVES RESIGNATION

London, Dec. 26.—Dr. Rudolph Havenstein, President of the Imperial Bank of Germany, the Reichsbank, has resigned, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen.

Dr. Havenstein became president of the Reichsbank in December, 1907, in succession to Dr. Koch. The Reichsbank under his direction had charge of German war finances. He has been a supporter of the Pan-German Club.

ZEPPELINS MAY PLY FROM GERMANY TO CITY OF NEW YORK

Paris, Dec. 26.—Disarmed German zeppelins will be converted into merchantmen to ply between New York and Hamburg, according to The Echo de Paris, which says that it has received its information from reliable sources.

PROFESSOR DIES.

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 26.—William Addison Hervey, sixty years old, professor of German at Columbia University, died on the platform at Princeton Junction while waiting for a train last night. He had been spending the day visiting in Princeton.

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GREAT SHIPMENTS THROUGH CHICAGO

Millions of Tons of Foodstuffs Handled During the War

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Chicago, representative of the American middle west, to which the Allies looked for a large share of their provisions, had a great share in victualing peoples and armies during the four years of the war, and in that period an enormous amount of provisions passed through the Chicago gateway.

With the 1918 shipments there has been shipped from Chicago more than 40,000,000 tons of cereals.

In the same period the meat shipments, according to The Drovers' Trade Journal, including cured, canned and fresh meats, amounted to more than 6,000,000 tons.

Fats, including lard, butter and cheese, totalled more than 1,800,000 tons.

In addition to grains, meats and fats, 20,415,000 bushels of potatoes were handled out of Chicago, and 5,973,891 live hogs, 3,587,415 head of cattle and 4,166,570 sheep were shipped.

Prior to the spring of 1917 the usual agencies of trade conducted the distribution of the vast quantities of foodstuffs sent out of Chicago and contracts for provisions were made by foreign Governments direct with the dealers in Chicago. With the entrance of the United States into the war the Food Administration, through its various branches, took over the handling of provisions in quantity and the distribution was conducted under Governmental supervision.

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Mrs. Tungtwist—"Really? I don't want to lose it unless you can fit me with a substitooth."

STORY OF THE LAST BATTLE OF E-14

British Submarine Lost in Dardanelles After Torpedoing Goeben's Tender

London, Dec. 26.—(Canadian Press via Reuter's.)—The finest of all tales of the achievements of British submarines in wartime is now completed by the official story of the sinking of the famous submarine E-14 off the Dardanelles early in 1918, with the loss of her new commander, Lieut.-Commander White, and seven of the crew.

The E-14 left Mudros on the evening of January 22 and proceeded up the Dardanelles to search for the enemy battlecruiser Goeben. After diving under submarine nets, she found that the Goeben, which the enemy had moved a few hours previously, had gone, so Commander White turned back, keeping a sharp lookout for enemy craft. A torpedo was fired at a ship which it afterwards was learned was carrying ammunition for the Goeben, causing a heavy explosion, which extinguished the submarine's lights and sprung the fore hatch. Leaking badly, the submarine rose to within fifteen feet of the surface.

Heavy Fire.

There she drew a heavy fire, but she was not damaged. She submerged to 100 feet and continued on her course, but became unsteady and kept diving, so she was brought to the surface, as she could no longer be relied upon under water, and only three bottles of air were left. A heavy fire immediately opened from both sides of the strait and a shell hit the hull just over the wardroom, destroying the upper steering gear. A survivor of the E-14 says:

"Orders were given to steer from below, and we ran the gauntlet for half an hour, only a few shots hitting us. The commander, seeing it was hopeless to escape, ran toward the shore. His last words were: 'We are in God's hands.' Only a few seconds later I looked for him, and saw his body, mangled by a shell, roll into the water and go under. The last shell hit the starboard tank, killing several of the crew, I believe."

The submarine soon afterwards ran on a sandbar close inshore, and the Turks picked up the survivors.

HE GOT A RAISE.

A merchant, while engaged in the office the other morning, discovered that he had left his pocketknife at home and, as he needed one urgently he asked the different clerks, but none of them happened to have one. Finally the errand boy walked in and the merchant called him, asking if he was able to produce the desired article. Jimmy handed over his knife.

"How is it, Jimmy, that you alone out of my entire staff seem to have a pocketknife with you?" smiled the proprietor, eyeing Jimmy with undisguised admiration.

"Dunno, sir," replied the youth, "unless it's because my wages are so low that I can't afford more'n one pair of trousers."—London Ideas.

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"I have just finished my second bottle of Tanlac, and have actually gained eight pounds," said Charles Williams of the Regent Hotel at Vancouver while in the Owl Drug Store, recently.

"I have been in such a badly rundown condition for a long time" he continued, "that I hardly ever felt like work. I had no appetite at all, and was so nervous that I could hardly stand to hear a newspaper rattle. I couldn't get any sound sleep, and would get up in the mornings as tired and worn out as if I hadn't gone to bed, and although I spent several hundred dollars trying to get relief nothing ever helped me until I got Tanlac.

"But this medicine has made a new man of me. My appetite is so big that I can hardly get enough to eat, and everything agrees with me perfectly. My nervousness has all left me, and my strength has increased until I can do a big days' work and still feel fine. I sleep good at night, get up in the mornings feeling rested, and take more interest in everything. My friend who put me onto Tanlac couldn't have done me a greater favor, for now I am just like a different man altogether, and I am glad to pass the good word along."

There are thousands of people who complain of being nervous and rundown. They are not sick exactly, but feel tired out and good for nothing most of the time. They simply need something to build them up and throw off the symptoms of this weakened debilitated condition.

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SKILLED MEN NEEDED, BUT NOT UNSKILLED

That is How Trade Union Officials Summarize Situation in Toronto

Toronto, Dec. 26.—Secretaries of the different trade unions in Toronto, wohse business includes the providing of work for the members of their unions, have been scanning the figures compiled by the local union of machinists upon unemployment, which were sent to Hon. A. K. Maclean, Acting Minister of Trade and Commerce, when exception was taken locally to a statement of Mr. Maclean, who said he had been misunderstood.

The figures are believed to be a fair estimate of the unemployed. Of the number who were thrown out of work, over ninety per cent. is unskilled or semi-killed. At present there is little prospect of unskilled or semi-skilled labor obtaining work. There is a demand for skilled machinists.

Optimistic Outlook.

Toronto, Dec. 26.—Robert Hobson, president of the Steel Company of Canada, Hamilton, Ont., in an interview expressed himself in optimistic terms as to the immediate future of the Dominion. He said he did not think there was any reason for concern about the possibility of unemployment and the absorption of the munitions labor.

Mr. Hobson said: "On the whole, I think that there is a very bright future for Canada. Confidence, courage and loyalty to our counry and our own industries are what we need and will pull us through."

Vote on Hours.

Toronto, Dec. 26.—The Toronto Building Trades League, a federation of the trades union whose members are employed upon construction of buildings, has decided to take a referendum of the unions upon a shorter working day. The vote will be taken immediately, and the men will be asked to decide upon an eight-hour day, five days a week, with a three-hour Saturday.

Several of the unions already have decided to eliminate all overtime except where there may be a danger of life and property through the non-completion of the particular piece of work.

KING GEORGE SENT CHRISTMAS MESSAGE TO THE DOMINION

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—The Governor-General received the following telegram from the King, through the Secretary of State for the Colonies:

"Another Christmas has come round and we are no longer fighting. God has blessed our efforts. The Queen and I offer our heartfelt good wishes for a happy Christmas and many brighter years to come. To the disabled, sick and wounded, we send a special greeting, praying that with returning health you may be comforted and cheered by the vision of those good days of peace for which you have sacrificed so much.

"(Signed) GEORGE R.I."

The Governor-General replied to the Secretary of States for th eColonies:

"I respectfully beg you to convey to His Majesty the grateful thanks of the people of Canada for His Majesty's most gracious message and Christmas greetings. The special reference to the sick and wounded will be deeply appreciated.

"(Signed) DEVONSHIRE."

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DECOY SHIP'S CREW FOUGHT HEROICALLY

Story of Battle of Dunraven, British Craft, With U Boat, Now Told

London, Sept. 26. — (Associated Press.)—The loss of the British decoy ship Dunraven in a desperate battle with a German submarine, the story of which has now been made public by the Admiralty, constitutes one of the most daring and heroic episodes of the anti-submarine war. With their vessel ablaze, and boxes of cordite and shells exploding every few minutes, the after gun crew stuck to their gun until the magazine exploded and blew them and their gun into the air. Meanwhile the battle with the submarine was fiercely waged.

This action took place in August, 1917. The vessel was one of the decoys sent out and was commanded by Captain Gordon Campbell, who had previously won the Victoria Cross by heroic and successful work in decoying submarines to their destruction. In her role of an armed British merchant ship, the Dunraven was siz-zagging her course in the lanes haunted by the submarines when a U boat opened fire upon her at 5,000 yards. The Dunraven returned the fire with her merchant ship gun and reduced her speed to enable the submarine to overtake her. To coax the German craft on, wireless signals were sent out reading: "Help. Come quickly. Submarine chasing and shelling me."

"Panic Party" Left.

Finally, when the submarine's shells began falling close, the Dunraven stopped and the usual "panic party" abandoned the ship. The Dunraven was then on fire aft and the submarine closed in to a distance of 400 yards, but was partly obscured from view by dense clouds of smoke issuing from the Dunraven's stern.

Although he knew that the magazine must explode if he waited, and that a gun and a gnn's crew lay concealed over the magazine, Capt. Campbell reserved his fire until the submarine had passed clear of the smoke. A moment later there was a heavy explosion and the Dunraven's gun and its crew were blow into the air. The concussion started the fire gongs at the remaining gun positions. The screens hiding the guns were dropped and the only gun that could be brought to bear opened fire. The submarine commenced to submerge. Knowing that a torpedo would surely follow, Capt. Campbell had all the wounded brought up and concealed in cabins. The after part of the Dunraven was a mass of flame, but the crew fought the fire with hose while wireless signals were sent out warning all other vessels to keep below the horizon so as not to interrupt the final phase of the fight.

Lay Hidden.

Twenty minutes later another torpedo struck the ship abaft the engine room. Another "panic party" was sent away in the boats, leaving the ship apparently completely abandoned with the British flag flying and her guns unmasked, but Capt. Campbell and a handful of officers and men had remained on board and lay hidden for nearly an hour while the submarine commander held off, watching the burning ship through his periscope.

During all that time boxes of cordite and shells were exploding every few minutes and the fire was blazing furiously. Eventually the submarine emerged astern, where no guns could be brought to bear upon her, and shelled the Dunraven for twenty minutes. The U boat then steamed past the ship 1,500 yards off and Capt. Campbell fired one of his torpedos at her, but missed by a few inches. A second torpedo also missed. The submarine saw it and submerged. A third "panic party" was planning to jump overboard and leave one gun crew for a final attempt to sink the U boat when British and American destroyers arrived on the scene. The Dunraven's wounded were transferred, her gunners recalled and the fire extinguished. The Dunraven, in a sinking condition, was taken in tow, but the weather grew worse and on the following morning she sank with her colors flying.

ALLIED MISSION TO CAUCASUS GIVEN HEARTY WELCOME

Paris, Dec. 26.—The French Mission to the Caucasus received a hearty welcome on its arrival at Ekaterinodar and Novo Rossisk, advices received from the Caucasus show. At the latter place on the Black Sea the officers of the Allied fleet were feted, while the Government of the former place gave a dinner at which toasts were drunk to the Allied armies and a "greater and regenerated Russia."

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Paris, Dec. 26.—Gassed money has made its way to Paris to be spent since the small townspeople refuse to take it in trade. A Young Men's Christion Association secretary in a village protested when an aged woman storekeeper refused the jet black coins he offered, briefly explaining, "No good."

"But," insisted the Red Triangle man. "Those coins are perfectly good. They were new and shiny when I put them in my pocket I went through a gas attack and the fumes turned them black. See——."

And he took out his knife and scraped until the bright metal was revealed.

"Non," replied madame, still unconvinced. "Ce n'est pas bon." And she went on to explain that after a coin had been gassed, she did not want to have anything to do with it.

Finally the man who had made the purchases was obliged to borrow enough from a fellow-worker to pay for what he had bought.

Symptoms That Tell of Biliousness

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Does your head swim?

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COMMENDS SENDING OF LORD JELLICOE

London Times Says Empire Conferences on Naval Affairs Good Plan

London, Dec. 26.—Discussing editorially Admiral Lord Jellicoe's forthcoming visit to the Dominions to advise on naval matters, The Times says that in Canada the question of naval policy was some years before the war the sport of political forces which defied control of either Laurier or Borden. The coming of the war swept away those disputes and all the sea resources of the Dominions were with one accord placed at the disposal of the British Admiralty.

"But that splendid memory should not obliterate the fact that the problem of the Dominions share in the British sea-power in peace times has not been solved," The Times says. It continues:

"The broader question of peace control of naval affairs in the Dominions can hardly be usefully discussed at a moment when the whole balance of sea-power throughout the world has been altered. The British Admiralty in the years before 1915 was compelled to concentrate all its available ships against Germany in the North Sea. That threat has been faced and its danger exists no longer. The consequences if its destruction will be one of the questions which Admiral Lord Jellicoe will have to discuss with the Dominions. We will not anticipate discussion except to say that concentration of the British striking force at sea in home waters undoubtedly gave a powerful impulse to the Australian determination to create a local fleet unit.

"Meanwhile Admiral Jellicoe's mission is particularly welcome because it shows that close touch is being maintained between the Admiralty and the Dominions. There were signs before the war that relations between them had become lax, and more than once there was an approach to real friction."

Mr. Smith, dissatisfied with his house, put the sale of it in the hands of an estate agent.

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So he called up the estate agent with: "There is a house advertised in the News by 'A. B. C.' See 'A. B. C.' and buy it from him."

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Merry Time Spent at Connaught Seamen's Institute Christmas Eve

About sixty of the men who recently arrived in the city from the Old Country to man the ships built in British Columbia for the Imperial Munitions Board were treated to a supper, concert and dance at the Connaught Seamen's Institute on Christmas Eve. T. Wright Hill, in charge of the Institute, was more cheery than ever, as he and the ladies and gentlemen who assisted him went about the business of entertaining the guests.

At 7 o'clock the merry party sat down to tables laden with good things. The spirit of Christmas was abroad, and everyone gave full vent to seasonable feelings.

Following the supper F. A. McDiarmid, President of the Victoria Branch of the Navy League of Canada, under whose auspices the entertainment was given, addressed the men and explained what Canada was endeavoring to do for the men in the Navy and the Merchant Marine through the channels opened up by that organization. He paid a high tribute to the men of both branches of the service, but stated that unless they were given the hearty support of the people at home, morally, materially and in every other way, the task that lay before the men who go down to the sea in ships would be impossible. At the best it was a colossal one.

The evening was then given up to an informal programme of music in which hosts and the guests took part, followed by dancing, which was concluded in good old-time fashion with the Sir Roger de Coverley, danced in a manner that recalled Dickens's description of it in "The Christmas Carol."

Three cheers were given for the hosts at parting, and the men expressed their appreciation for the enjoyable evening they had spent, in which Mrs. Stirling, who had prepared the tasty repast, was not forgotten. In addition to E. A. McDiarmid and T. Wright Hill, those who assisted in the affair were: Mrs. Atwell, Miss Pennell, Mrs. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Giddens, and Mr. and Mrs. Pooah.

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Make the little ones happy, give them gifts that will last and please them. Our stock of Children's Goods this year embraces the best and latest in substantial Autos, Tricycles, Doll Carriages, Doll Beds, Shoo Flys, Wheelbarrows, etc. Make your purchases now, while the supply is good. We will hold and deliver your purchases for New Year's Day, if desired.

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PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION NOW BALANCE IN HONEY

Apiarists of British Columbia Make Commendable Showing This Year

HON. E. D. BARROW IS ALIVE TO THE FUTURE

According to the Hon. E. D. Barrow, Minister of Agriculture, who is keenly alive to the immense value of developing every branch of the rural sciences, the honey crop of British Columbia for the year now drawing rapidly to a close will very closely approximate 225 tons, an increase over the 1917 production of sixty-five tons and constituting the biggest yield in the history of the province. Reports from the beekeepers of the province have now been tabulated by the Department of Agriculture and considerable satisfaction is felt by the Minister at the very commendable showing for the year, more particularly as it represents to a large degree the results attendant upon the efforts of the foul brood inspector attached to the Department.

Production Balances Consumption.

For years the bee inspectors have estimated the total annual honey consumption of British Columbia to be a little over 200 tons, so that for the first time production will balance consumption, and there will be no need for importation from other countries. Just before the war custom house statistics indicated an annual importation of 200 tons of honey into British Columbia, but as her honey production increased importations have just as steadily declined. In 1917 sixty tons were imported. On account of the war, such exports from the United States—British Columbia's chief source of supply—were forbidden, but the increase of sixty tons in the province in 1918 balanced what would otherwise have been a deficit.

Development of Industry.

It is interesting to note how the bee industry in British Columbia has developed since Colonel Moody first introduced the honey bee to the Mainland in the year 1869. This pioneer imported two schooner loads of cattle for his ranch at Mud Bay from Olympia, Washington, and he brought along at the same time five colonies of bees which were set down where the village of Elgin now stands. The bees were neglected, but their descendents took possession of the hollow cedar trees, and in a few years the timber lands for scores of miles were full of wild bees. Here and there swarms were captured and housed for the most part in ordinary boxes.

The First Inspectors.

In the year 1911, at the urgent request of the fruit growers of the Province, the Department of Agriculture appointed two bee inspectors in the persons of L. Harris, of Vernon, and F. Dundas Todd, of Victoria, whose duty it was to watch for the appearance of foul brood. W. J. Sheppard, of Nelson, joined the staff later and worked hard in furthering the same policy. At the end of the first season's work it was discovered that there were probably less than 300 people in the Province interested in beekeeping, all of whom were directing their energies along crude channels and on a very small scale generally. The land boom was at its maximum at the time, and the lucrative transaction of the moment had more appeal than the production of honey.

Discouraging at First.

For three years the inspectors labored under very discouraging circumstances; they were agreed, however, that in a few years production and consumption would balance—a hope that has actually proved an actuality in the light of the Minister's statement at the commencement of this article. The tide turned in 1913, when the young men on the ranches took the problem in hand and introduced modern methods into the home apiary, more than doubling the annual crop by raising it to fifty tons. In 1914 the season was good and the crop increased of 150 tons. The inspectors felt confident that 1915 would see the attainment of their objective, but the advent of war brought a ready response of ranchers to the colors, so that in 1916 the honey crop of "British Columbia fell to 100 tons.

The men of more mature years, especially in the region tributary to Vancouver, and the women folk took hold of the situation and in 1917 the honey crop of the Province amounted to 160 tons, while the 1918 production of 225 tons is regarded by the Minister of Agriculture as an excellent sign for the future in this very important branch of rural activity.

More Production Wanted.

According to records on file in the Department of Agriculture there are 1,611 beekeepers in British Columbia. The Department has information, however, of a belief abroad that overproduction may before long penalize the industry. The Minister is anxious that such a fatuous idea should be exploded at once, and he quotes the fact that honey consumption in British Columbia is as low as one pound per head annually, whereas in the United States the per capita requirement is four pounds. In other words he sees no danger from over production until British Columbia's annual output has at least reached the thousand ton mark. And by that time he anticipates so much additional population that the limit mark may still be further raised with commercial safety. Then again, Mr. Barrow points out, there is an ever expanding market on the Prairie Provinces, a fact in itself that should encourage the intelligent and energetic apiarist.

Showing the Progress.

At the present time the largest apiary in British Columbia numbers 125 colonies, which produced in 1918, 9,000 pounds of honey, worth at the lowest wholesale quoted price $2,520, while the total capital invested probably did not exceed $1,500. There are approximately a dozen beekeepers approaching the hundred mark; but the average apiary contains less than six colonies. The estimated value of the honey crop in 1910, the year before the inspectors began their work, was $6,500, and the following statistics show the progress made each year since:

Year 1911, 20 tons, value, $6,800; 1912, 30 tons, value, $10,200; 1913, 50 tons, value, $10,700; 1914, 150 tons, value, $51,000; 1915, 100 tons, value, $34,000; 1916, 120 tons, value, $40,800; 1917, 160 tons, value, $64,000; 1918, 225 tons, value, $126,000.

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CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—The following casualties have been announced:

Infantry.

Died of wounds—Sergt. H. J. Mahey, Vancouver.

Prisoners repatriated—Cpl. G. Fowler, Vancouver; Pte. Harry Darley, Victoria; Pte. Harry Brewer, Vancouver; Cpl. A. L. Stroyan, Victoria; Pte. G. W. Lewhellyn, Vancouver; Capt. E. H. Simpson, Kentville, N. S.; Capt. A. McCallum, England; Lieut. L. C. Gilmour, Moose Jaw; Capt. J. W. Ellis, England; Capt. W. R. Clarke, Scotland; Major A. D. Carter, D.S.O., Point de Butte, N. B.; Capt. G. C. Hamilton, Toronto; Lieut. G. M. Shaw, Hamilton.

Mounted Rifles.

Prisoners repatriated—Capt. H. G. Rogers, Peterboro, Ont.

Machine Guns.

Prisoner repatriated — Lieut. M. Babb, M.C., England.

GEN. VAN STRAUBENZIE MADE COMPANION OF ORDER OF THE BATH

London, Dec. 26.—The following Canadians were invested at Buckingham Palace:

Order of the Bath—Major-General Cassimir Van Straubenzie.

Bar to D.S.O.—Major James Rankin and Major John Girvan.

Distinguished Service Order—Colonel Carl Folger, Colonel William Chandler, Colonel Alexander Ogilvie, Major Walter Waxfield, Major John McEwan and Major Percival Torrance.

Bar to Military Cross — Captain Gerald Lindsell.

Captain S. T. Edward, Air Force, who won the D. S. O., and subsequently a Bar, is posted as having died of injuries.

"PEARL OF THE EAST."

Called by Orientals "the Pearl of the East," Damascus, General Allenby's great capture is the oldest city in the world still inhabited.

It is mentioned repeatedly in the Old Testament and documentary evidence shows that the ancient city dates back to 1400 B.C.

Travellers refer to it as "dear, dirty Damascus," for its odors are many and strong, and its street-cleaners have long ceased to work. One of the city's main features is "the Street which is called Straight," which runs from east to west.

Damascus has been the scene of many conflicts, since David sent an expedition against it and took it with a slaughter of 22,000 men. Egyptians, Crusaders and Turks fought so repeatedly for it that it has become the most captured as well as the oldest city in the world.

Its bazaars and riches are world-famous. Damascus steel, armor, silk, scents and jewelery are the most exquisite and costly in the markets. The name of its "damascene," work in steel, which consists in inlaying fine steel with gold or silver in mavy lines, has passed on to damask linen with similar design.

The main beauty of Damascus lies in its orchards, gardens and vineyards, which cover an area of sixty square miles. They are watered by the rivers of the city, which, Biblical students will recall, the Syrian general, as recorded in the Second Book of Kings, suggested might wash away his leprosy.—Tit-Bits.

Negro troops from Louisiana have a linguistic advantage over the other American soldiers. Many of them, through diving in sections where French is still spoken, are more or less familiar with the language when they get to France. But they have their difficulties nevertheless. "It's dis way," explained one, "Ah talk French puhfectly, but not de kind dey talk in this country. You see, Ah learned French from mah fathah—de pure, classical, ole New Orleans French—and dey don't speak dat kind ovah heah."—Argonaut.

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LT.-COL. COLLISHAW BACK IN CANADA

Airman Among Soldiers Landed by Two Ships at St. John

St. John, N. B., Dec. 26. — Two steamships with returned soldiers docked here during the festive season, the Grampian coming in Tuesday afternoon and the Corsican yesterday afternoon. The former brought 107 officers and 833 men, three nursing sisters and forty-seven civilian passengers, and the latter forty-four officers and 713 of other ranks, besides forty-nine civilians. Both vessels brought large consignments of mail.

Among the officers who arrived was Lieut.-Colonel R. Collishaw, of Nanaimo, who commanded an air squadron in France. He is one of the Empire's foremost aces, some authorities crediting him with first place. He brought down sixty German machines, but the position of Canada's premier airmen is accorded to Lieut.-Colonel Bishop, V.C. Colonel Collishaw wears many decorations, including the D. S. O. with Bar, the D. F. C., the Flying Corps Medal, the Croix de Guerre and the Mons Medal.

"BACK TO MUFTI" A NEW MAGAZINE

Will Be Issued by Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-Establishment

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—The farewell issue of Reconstruction, the publication issued by the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment, has appeared. It will be succeeded in January by Back to Mufti, which will be run on broader lines.

Reconstruction, which has been in existence a little over a year, has been issued more or less as a straight bulletin of information on the activities of the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment. Back to Mufti, which will have the form of a regular magazine, will cover a wider field. In it will be printed a series of articles by prominent writers and leaders of Canadian thought and action upon the problem of rehabilitation of the returned men, and the contingent questions that arise. In addition there will be news features such as Reconstruction carried, and authetnic texts of official inforamtion. A very attractive cover has been designed by a Canadian artist, and everything has been done to give the new publication an appearance in keeping with its character.

Articles written and inspired by prominent French Canadians in the French language will appear every month, and, it is expected, will be reproduced in the French Canadian press. Advance proofs will, as heretofore, be sent to all the Canadian newspapers.

Back to Mufti will be issued free to all interested in any way in the problem of the returned soldier. The conservation of paper demands the elimination of any "dead" copies. Readers of Reconstruction who wish to receive the new magazine free of charge are requested therefore to send a request by postcard.

In connection with the reception of requests for Back to Mufti, several thousand of which have already been sent in, some very interesting comments have been appended by applicants in all walks of life. Among those who made comments are a clergymen, a prominent New York editorial writer, a graduate nurse, a newspaper owner, a labor inspector and a timekeeper.

Veterans as Employees.

A bulletin issued by the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-Establishment says:

"One of the largest concerns in Canada has issued the following notice to its foremen in reference to proper treatment of returned soldiers as employees. If all employers realized the truth of its statements there would be fewer remarks about the alleged unreliability of returned soldiers as workmen. This uncertainty is only a phase of short duration and the man who has had sufficient conscience to offer his life for the principles which the British Empire is at war, is pretty sure to have enough conscience to do his work faithfully. Here is the notice:

"'How do you treat a returned soldier working under you? Do you consider him as an ordinary workman, let him shift for himself and look on his mistakes only as you would an ordinary employee? If so, you are assuming that he is in all respects just a normal man and should be able to do the same work as quickly and as well as the average employee.

Suffered.

"'Most returned soldiers' constitutions are broken down. They have been gassed, shell shocked and tortured by wounds, and consequently are highly strung and nervous, and will be for some time to come. What they make of themselves depends upon you. If one of these men makes a mistake and is roughly reprimanded, he is likely to shake like a leaf, get excited, etc., and be very difficult to make anything of. This is wrong. The greatest tact, care and attention that you can give these men in helping them to become useful employees is what the Company expects, and moreover, YOU OWE IT TO THEM.

"'There are bound to be some exceptions, and some men will fail to make good. The success or failure of the majority, however, depenuds on you, and it is your privilege to help your country in this national crisis by endeavoring to make useful citizens out of the nerve-shattered men who are coming back to us from the front."

Willie was in a bad temper. His mother had just discovered that there was not a clean nightshirt ready for him to wear.

"Never mind, Willie," she said, consolingly. "You will have to put on one of your sister's nightgowns to-night."

"What, a girl's?" snorted Willie, drawing himself up haughtily.

"Yes. Why not?" asked mother, in surprise.

"I won't wear it!" declared the small boy. "I'd rather go to bed raw!"

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COMMISSIONS WORK IN CLOSE HARMONY

Invalided Soldiers' Commission and Pension Board Find Tasks Related

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—Since the Invalided Soldiers' Commission and the Board of Pension Commissioners have been brought together under one Minister in the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-Establishment, the two Commissions hav sought to work in as close co-operation as possible. To further this end it has been agreed between the two branches of the Department that whenever possible the district offices of both organizations shall be brought under one roof.

There are many details in which the two organizations have to be in close consultation. Soldiers' files are passed back and forward from one to the other, many decisions in regard to pensions depending upon information supplied by the Invalided Soldiers' Commission. Similarly, when discharged men return to the pay and allowances of the Invalided Soldiers' Commission information about their pensions is at once required. Furthermore, it is a matter of great convenience to all discharged men to be able to transact all their business with the Government at one place.

For these and many other reasons all possible effort is being made throughout the country to bring the offices of the two organizations as close together as possible. In several places this already has been achieved.

Insurance Queries.

Information sought by insurance companies regarding the physical condition of soldiers, or ex-soldiers, of the C. E. F. can only be furnished by the Government when the written consent of the men concerned is given, according to a recent decision. A fixed procedure for obtaining such information has been drawn up as follows:

(a) Applications regarding soldiers in the service should be forwarded by the insurance company to the General Officer Commanding the District in which they are serving.

(b) Applications regarding ex-soldiers who have been discharged for reasons other than physical unfitness should be forwarded by the insurance company to the Director of Records, Militia Headquarters, Ottawa.

(c) Applications regarding ex-soldiers who have been discharged on account of physical unfitness, who are either under treatment by the Invalided Soldiers' Commission, or who are pensioned, should be forwarded by the insurance company to the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-Establishment.

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CANADIAN BANK REPORT FOR NOVEMBER

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—How savings deposits were invested in Victory Bonds is indicated in the bank returns for November made available by the Finance Department to-day. At the beginning of the month the savings deposits in Canadian banks were at the record total of $1,076,512,627. Payments for Victory Bonds brought this down during the month to $929,229,221, a decrease of $143,000,000. Demand deposits, however, continued to increase. At the end of the month they stood at $666,366,359 as compared with $644,220,998 in October. Call loans both in and outside Canada show an increase.

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UNCLE SAM GOES HOME.

A little more than 140 years ago George III signed, in Buckingham Palace, divers proclamations designating George Washington and his followers in the American colonies as traitors, and authorized the dispatch of troops to subdue them. The sending of the expedition was unpopular in many quarters: British people at home objected to an attempt to coerce British people overseas for demanding the same rights and privileges their common ancestors had fought and suffered for. It was attacked in Parliament by eminent statesmen and the opposition was so vigorous that it limited the number of British soldiers the Government mobilized for the task of suppressing the "disobedient and impudent rebels." So the German king hired German troops from Hesse to assist in the undertaking and enlisted also the aid of the Iroquois and such other extraneous help as could be bought with money or pelf.

To-day the royal descendant of George III is entertaining in Buckingham Palace as the guest of the British nation the political descendant of George Washington. The head of the mother nation honors the head of its mighty eldest offspring in the very house in which less than a century and a half ago the stubborn, astigmatic Hanoverian brooded wrathfully over the recalcitrance of his subjects in the New World. Buckingham Palace has been extensively and frequently altered since the time of George III, who had purchased it from the great ducal family whose name it bears, but it may be that President Wilson tonight will rest in or very near the apartment in which that Empire-cracker rested, utterly unmindful of any prospect that this extraordinary development out of the world war might cause the bones of the third George to turn in their grave a dozen times in protest at the treason and sacrilege to which his royal descendant is an unblushing and unrepentant party.

The King of Great Britain and Ireland and the British dominions and dependencies beyond the seas, and the President of the United States, under the same roof in London, represent a family reunion such as history never recorded before. In their persons the 400,000,000 people of the British Empire and the 120,000,000 people of the United States are celebrating Yuletide in circumstances and under auspices which may mark a great epoch in the progress of civilization and make the occasion more memorable than it has been made since a certain wonderful night in Bethlehem a little more than nineteen centuries ago. In the great reconciliation of the Anglo-Saxon nations, the crowning reunion of ideals, institutions and principles, may lie, indeed, the certain guarantee of "peace on earth, good-will to men."

Thus, the visit of the President of the United States to Great Britain is much more than a state ceremonial incident, the formal call which the head of one great power makes upon another. And the welcome which the British people have accorded their illustrious guest for that reason strikes a note never sounded on the occasion of any other visit by the ruler or chief of another country to their capital. They have acclaimed kings, presidents and distinguished leaders of many kinds, but this is the first time the head of the great nation created by their kith and kin across the Atlantic has ever stood upon British soil.

Nowhere else are the things for which the President of the United States stands in national well-being so intimately understood, for the aspirations of the two people, their love of liberty and justice, spring from a common source, their institutions are based upon a common foundation, they speak the same language, they observe the same fundamental laws, they sing the same hymns, they glory in the same literature. The idealism of President Wilson, as expressed in his speeches and messages, evoked an immediate response from the great heart of the British people, who sent millions of their sons to fight, and expended their other resources without stint, to safeguard the heritage of which Magna Charta and the Declaration of Independence were really a common title deed.

A few years ago Dr. Wilson, then a university professor well known for his literary works, toured Great Britain on a bicycle, his itinerary including Carlisle, where his grandparents lived and where his grandfather labored as a Congregational minister. But one stage removed from British birth on his mother's side, it is hardly necessary to say that he knows his Britain and his Britons with a full, intimate, inner knowledge. During the next day or two Carlisle will again welcome its distinguished grandson, this time in the person of the President of the United States. It is a dull imagination, indeed, that is not stirred by this little incident of the Presidential visit, while it would be a reflection upon the intelligence and perspicacity of the world to doubt its ample appreciation of the significance of Uncle Sam's unprecedented action of dropping in to partake of Father Bull's hearty good-cheer at this festive time.

SHIPBUILDING PROSPECTS.

On Tuesday we published a dispatch from Paris foreshadowing developments which may have no little bearing upon the industrial possibilities of Victoria. It stated that the French Government has adopted a programme calling for 6,000,000 tons of new shipping within three years. Orders for 500,000 tons have been awarded to French yards already while orders for 800,000 tons are about to be placed in the United States if the American authorities will permit their yards to be used for this purpose.

Presumably this programme calls mainly for steel ships and it is to be hoped some of it will come to Victoria. The Seattle Times a few days ago printed a report that the Foundation Company which has yards at various places on the Pacific besides the one here had virtually closed negotiations with the French Government for the construction of 174 steel ships representing a total outlay of more than $100,000,000. This no doubt is part of the new French programme and if the company should land this contract it will be assured such continuity of big work to justify it in undertaking steel shipbuilding operations on a very large scale.

The United States is proceeding with its own imposing shipbuilding programme, notwithstanding the cessation of hostilities, and it is possible that the opportunity of the American plants for undertaking as much of the French programme as they otherwise would have been glad to contract for will be limited by that condition. Similarly, the British yards will be engaged very largely in filling the gaps in Britain's mercantile marine created during the war. The Canadian Government has begun a considerable programme of construction, but this should not cause any such difficulty as the French Government may encounter in connection with the shipbuilding facilities of other countries.

NEW PENSION REGULATIONS.

An Ottawa dispatch says new pension regulations will go into effect on January 1. No details of the nature of the new scale are given in the announcement, but, it is stated, the regulations will follow generally the recommendations of the special committee of the House of Commons supplemented by provision for the review of all existing cases in the light of the present regulations and special consideration for cases of exceptional hardship.

Until the regulations have been published it is impossible to say little more than to express the hope that they will provide for a substantial increase over the present scale. The present regulations were based upon the recommendations of a special committee of the House of Commons which conducted its deliberations in the light of conditions prevailing in Canada in 1916. Since then the cost of necessaries of life has mounted very considerably, which, of course, made the pension scale then decided upon entirely inadequate—and it never was entirely adequate.

We note that all existing cases are to be reviewed in the light of present regulations. We hope this is not an implication that existing cases will not come under the new regulations, which, in fact, should be made retroactive. A review of existing cases should have been made before. During the last session of Parliament some members complained of a tendency noted in a number of instances to shave down the percentage of disability in applicants, following their examination by Boards.

Soldiers as a rule are more disposed to underestimate their disability to a Board than to overestimate it, and where there is a doubt they should be given the benefit of it. The applicant's own physician is the best judge of his fitness and that physician's report should be an important factor in determining the classification of the pension. Certainly, whenever there is any error in the pensioning of our soldiers it should be to the advantage of the men for whose sufferings and sacrifices the country cannot offer too much compensation.

SWEDEN AS AN EXAMPLE?

The Ottawa Citizen suggests to the Dominion Government that if it should feel that it has been over-generous in giving a war bonus of $250 or less, to the lower-paid employees of the public service, it might take heart after reading what other countries have done, instancing the case of Sweden. In 1917 the Swedish Parliament passed an Act under which all civil servants received a war bonus for the year, amounting to fifteen per cent. of salary, with a minimum of 250 kronor (about $67.50) and a maximum of 800 kronor (about $215.00).

It should be understood, The Citizen points out, that, in Sweden, the term "civil servant" includes employees of the various Government departments; employees of the Government-owned railways, telegraphs, and telephones; officers, staffs, non-commissioned officers of the army and navy; the regular rank aand file of the army and navy; teachers and professors, permanent and temporary, of all universities, collegiate institutes, normal schools, agricultural colleges, technical high schools, military colleges, and all other schools and public institutions under Government control. As Sweden is not backward in national and public enterprises, and the population is about the same as Canada, it may be gathered that the Swedish civil service war bonus is quite extensive.

The 1917 bonus did not exhaust the Swedish Government's generosity, or rother appreciation of duty to its own employes. By Act of Parliament, March 25, 1918, the civil servants received for the year 1918, firstly, another war bonus; secondly, war time relief. The 1918 war bonus applied to all civil servants whose pay had been determined by Parliament, with certain restrictions: it amounted to one-third of their total pay—including expense allowances, provisional and temporary increases, additional pay on account of high cost of living, emolument for active service, and so on—practically taking the maximum income of each civil servant paid by the state, the Swedish Government increased this total by one-third as the war bonus for 1918.

THE POWER OF KINGSHIP.

(London Globe.)

To-day the House of Savoy is stronger in Italy than it has been at any time since Aspramonte. Among ourselves there is the same reinforcement of true kingship. Most of us realize that without monarchy our Empire would fall to pieces, and that it is the golden link of the Crown which holds together this vast confederacy. But clearer perception of that fact is not the only cause which has been at work. From the time that King Edward ascended the throne the position of the Crown has become more and more secure, because the people have recognized that the aim of the Sovereign has not been to impose his will upon them or to make them the instruments of his glory, but to carry out their will and to seek in their welfare the glory of his reign.

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WILSON IS IN LONDON, A GUEST OF KING AND QUEEN AT BUCKINGHAM

(Continued from page 1.)

The progress of the Royal and Presidential party was in semi-state coaches, each drawn by four dark horses.

Prolonged Cheers.

Enthusiastic scenes marked the President's arrival at the Charing Cross station. As the President, accompanied by King George, emerged from the station the crowds broke into prolonged cheering. At the same time guns began to thunder out a salute and dozens of aeroplanes soared overhead. The bells and chines all over the city also pealed a welcome. During the procession from the station, flags, hats and handkerchiefs were waved. The President was uncovered throughout the drive to acknowledge the cheers.

In Station.

The scene inside the Charing Cross station was not less cordial although not so noisy. The reception party included King George, Queen Mary, Princess Mary, Mr. Lloyd George and all the members of the Cabinet, the heads of the army and navy, Prime Ministers of the various Dominions and a representative of India. There was a guard of honor from the Life Guards, while the band of the Grenadier Guards played the "Star Spangled Banner."

The King and Queen and Princess Mary greeted President Wilson with cordiality.

President Wilson, accompanied by King George, inspected the guard of honor after they had returned to a space in front of the car in which they had traveled from Dover. Mr. Lloyd George and the members of the reception committee were then presented to the President.

SMALL BOY KILLED IN SAN FRANCISCO

San Francisco, Dec. 26.—A boy was killed and two women were seriously injured yesterday when the driver of a municipal fire truck, attempting to dodge the child, who was playing in the road, crashed his machine into the side of a building. Dead: Peter Doyle, aged ten; injured, Mary Scanlon, twenty-four, leg cut off, internal injuries; Hannah Scanlon, twenty-one, contusions and internal injuries.

The boy was caught beneath the wheels of the truck, and the women were crushed against the side of the building.

PLANES FLEW FROM SAN DIEGO TO SAN FRANCISCO

San Francisco, Dec. 26.—A flight from San Diego to San Francisco in ten hours and fifteen minutes' actual flying time was completed Christmas Day by three army aeroplanes, which arrived in San Francisco at 2.20 p. m. The pilots were Lieuts. S. H. Sharpe, C. C. Lee and K. M. Davis, each accompanied by a passenger. The purpose of the flight was to chart an aerial mail route.

BISHOP WILL RETIRE.

San Francisco, Dec. 26.—Bishop William Ford Nichols, head of the Diocese of San Francisco, will retire in 1919 from active duty, according to an announcement in The Pacific Churchman, official publication of the coast for the Episcopal Church.

Increased duties of the office together with advancing age, are given by Bishop Nichols, who is seventy-two years of age, as his reasons. He accepted his present post in 1890.

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PALESTINE AS HOME OF JEWISH RACE

London, Dec. 26.—The British Government's plan to establish a Jewish homeland in Palestine was endorsed by the Jewish Ministers' Association of America and the Federation of Orthodox Congregations, which began a convention here yesterday.

New York, Dec. 26.—The text of an announcement by the Chinese Government to the effect that China planned to co-operate with the Allies at the peace conference to create a Jewish homeland in Palestine was received here by cablegram yesterday by the Zionist Organization of America, from its representative in Shanghai.

PETROLEUM IN FRANCE.

Paris, Dec. 26.—A decree published to-day re-establishes the free sale and use of petroleum in France beginning on January 1.

SIR WALTER RALEIGH

FIRST BRITISH COLONIZER.

By A. M. D., in The London Chronicle.

On Lord Mayor's Day 300 years ago—October 29, 1618—Sir Walter Raleigh, half way through his seventh decade, was taken from the gatehouse at Westminster to a scaffold in Old Palace Yard, and there beheaded at the second stroke of the axe.

Though the hour was between seven and eight in the morning there were many spectators amply competent to report every detail of the scene, and posterity may learn as much about it as if it had been an incident of yesterday's news. The head, Sir Walter's velvet nightgown thrown over it, was put into a red leather bag and carried off in a coach to the widow, who had it embalmed, and kept it by her for the remaining thirty years of her life. It is supposed to have been afterwards buried at West Horsley, Surrey, in the grave of one of their sons; and as to the body itself, there is some doubt whether it lies in St. Margaret's Church, Westminster, or at Beddington.

Raleigh's Unpopularity.

When, fifteen years before the execution, Sir Edward Coke, the Attorney-General, heaped insults upon Raleigh at his trial—"Thou art the most vile and execrable traitor that ever lived," "Thou hast an English face, but a Spanish heart," "Thou art a moster, thou viper; for I thou thee, thou traitor"—he was but giving voice to the common detestation of the people. Raleigh in his prosperity was decidedly unpopular, and his prosperity was yet recent. In the streets he was in danger of his life at the hands of "the base and rascal mob," who upbraided him in bitter speeches.

Like his contemporary Bacon, "the wisest, greatest, meanest of mankind," he had some deeply-bitten faults. He was avaricious, rapacious, covetous, envious, over-triumphant when he had got his foe down. He pressed indecently for the death of Essex, though the popular rumor that he had puffed his tobacco smoke into the face of that mob favorite on the scaffold itself was a slander; he was up to the soul in the blood of the 600 combatants in Ireland who were slaughtered after they had surrendered and been disarmed; and the sixteen days' systematic sack of Cadiz, in which he was foremost, would torture even a Prussian with remorse.

Much of his enormous wealth came from sheer piracy, and his reward was that the very Queen and nobles whom he had enriched by the same means shared the common distrust of him. Elizabeth, who granted him immense tracts of Irish land, the forfeited Babington estates in five English counties, Durham House in the Strand, Sherborne Castle, and the fruitful wine-license monopoly, and made him Captain of the Queen's Guard, Governor of Jersey, Lord Warden of the Stannaries, Lord Lieutenant of Cornwall, and Vice-Admiral of Cornwall and Devon—even this generous patron repelled all his suits to be sworn a member of the Privy Council.

Arrogant and vain himself, he had a poor opinion of his fellow-creatures, and was thus, notwithstanding his superlative gifts, unfitted to lead large bodies of men. It needed a dozen years' confinement to the Tower, the publication of the lofty and exalting "History of the World," and, finally, the execution in Old Palace Yard—not for befriending the Spaniard (the charge on which sentence had been given), but for singeing his beard—to makt Raleigh the popular figure which he has since remained.

He stands forth as one of the banner-men of the English-speaking race to-day because he eloquently preached a strong Navy, insisted that the English line of defence in war is the coast of the enemy, gave a fashionable vogue to sea life and exploration, and helped yet greater English seamen than himself, though not with unmixed motives, to transfer the sovereignty of the sea from Spain to England.

"The Shepherd of the Ocean."

With his half brother, Sir Humphrey Gilbert, he led the way in the English colonization of America, one of the most momentous and beneficent transworld movements of population in human history. Here he was disinterested, far-seeing and patriotic. The Virginia which he tried so doggedly to colonize he never saw, and his attempts by deputy to raise a new England there all failed. But it proved afterwards to be sufficient that he had pointed the way, and his failures inspired the success of others.

He was a full-blooded Elizabethan—and what an envious, querulous lot the great Elizabethan courtiers were!—abounding with vitality of all kinds and with a courage which shrank only from the kind of death he died. In Parliament he spoke against religious persecution, and outside Parliament he speculated about and around religion with indiscreet freedom. Many times at the Mermaid and elsewhere he looked upon the faces of Shakespeare and Bacon; and Hakluyt and Spenser (who named him "The Shepherd of the Ocean") were his friends.

During his confinement in the Tower, where he lived not uncomfortably with his wife and children and servants and hundreds of books—nearly 700 authors are quoted in his "History"—he wrote his incomparable fragment, that high and moving meditation of a man of action upon "the secret and unsearchable judgments of God" athwart the twist and tangle of human purposes. The deepest debt Raleigh's admirers owe is to the meanest of the Stuarts who put him in the tower.

ITEMS OF HONOR.

Ping—Does the comedian strike you as funny?

Pong—Nary a bit. He struck me for a ten yesterday and I couldn't see the joke.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

On going his rounds about midnight a policeman noticed an individual moving from house to house and trying to open the doors. He seized him by the collar and said:

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POCKET REPUBLICS.

There are three tiny republics which never figure in the news; mapmakers usually ignore them.

The first of these, St. Goust, is barely one square mile in area, being the smallest independent state.

It is situated in such an inaccessible part of the Basses-Pyrenees that it has never been worth the trouble of the surrounding powers to interfere, so its population of 130 govern themselves, as they have done for the last 2,000 years, by a "council of elders" numbering twelve—the President of which acts as judge, assessor and tax collector.

Large by comparison is the republic of Andorra, which boasts of 7,000 inhabitants, and is situated in a remote section of the Eastern Pyrenees. Its people are pleasant-tempered, thrifty and hospitable, occupying themselves with farming, cattle-raising, the sale of wool, and smuggling. They are proud of their independence, which was declared by Charlemagne in the ninth century, and maintain an army of over 1,000 to defend it. They are governed by a council of twenty-four, which elects a President every four years.

Larger than St. Goust, but with only seventy inhabitants, is the island republic of Tavolara, a narrow strip of land five miles long and half a mile wide, situated off the north coast of Sardinia. In spite of its size, it is a free and self-governing state.—Tit-Bits.

A party of "Waacs" were being shown over a repair factory at one of the bases in France. "This," said the obliging soldier, as they entered a shed, "is the engine boiler." One fair charmer, with a quizzical smile, asked: "But why do they boil the engines?" And her guide softly replied: "To make the engine tender."

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Victoria Times, December 26, 1893.

After January 1 all transcontinental railroads will restore rates to what they were before the Chicago Fair opening. The traffic department have been a long time reaching an agreement, but it is given out as official that all roads will restore rates at the time mentioned. Railway men are of the opinion that all roads have had experience enough with low rates to last for some time; they proved very unprofitable.

On Christmas Day great crowds thronged the churches of the city at every service, whether morning or evening.

The sealing schooner Henry Dennis sailed yesterday for Seattle on an eight or nine months' sealing cruise.

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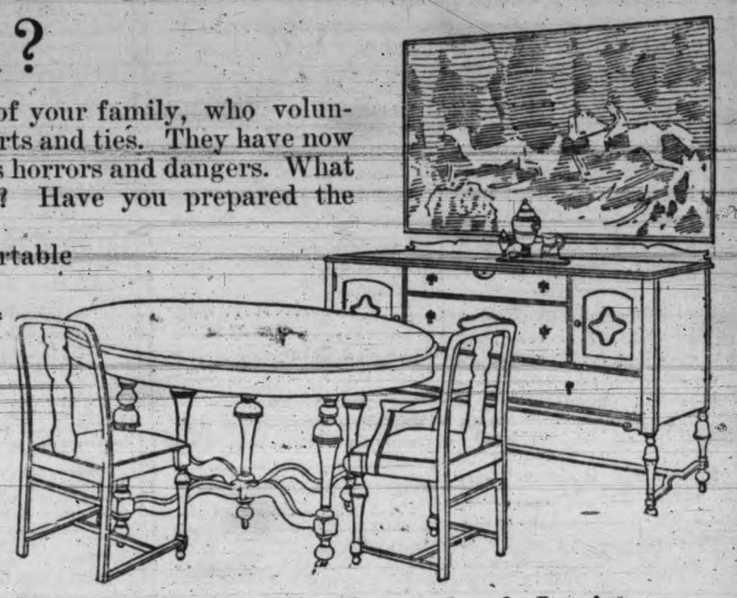

A Comfortable Bed Essential

There's some difference in sleeping in a trench or dugout and a nice comfortable bed with clean sheets, snowy white pillow cases, warm blankets and quilt. My! how the boys appreciate it, but, just a moment, are you sure that the Mattress you have on his bed is as comfortable as it should be? You can't make his bed too comfortable you know, and in some cases the softest Mattress possible is essential for his rest and comfort.

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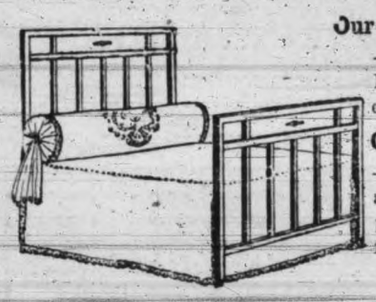

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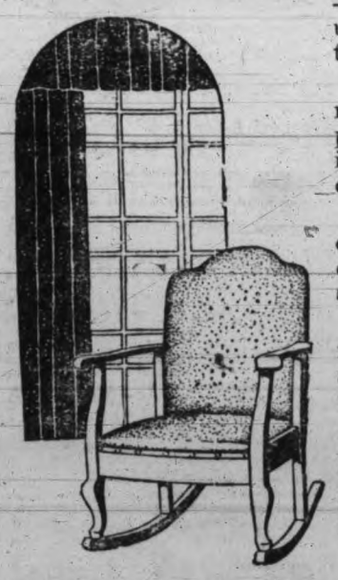

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A BEDTIME STORY

UNCLE WIGGILY AND THE TIN SWORD

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(By Howard R. Garis.)

The day after Christmas, when Uncle Wiggily Longears, the bunny rabbit gentleman, had eaten so much roast carrot stuffed with lettuce that he was sure he wouldn't be hungry again for a week, that day he started out from his hollow stump bungalow to take a walk.

"Where are you going?" asked Nurse Jane Fuzzy Wuzzy, his muskrat lady housekeeper.

"Oh, just to look for an adventure," replied Uncle Wiggily, and he had no more idea of what was going to happen than you have.

"I guess I'll stop and see Grandfather Goosey Gander," said Uncle Wiggily to himself. "I wonder if he had as nice a Christmas as I did?"

Then he hopped on, over the fields and through the woods until, pretty soon, he heard a voice saying:

"Come on, now! March fast! Forward, march, my soldiers! We must charge on the enemy and win a big victory!"

"My goodness me, sakes alive, and some cranberry sauce!" thought Uncle Wiggily. "I seem to have run into a war all at once. I must be careful."

So he looked through the bushes, and there he saw Johnnie and Billie Bushytail, the squirrel boys, and Curly and Floppy Twistytail, the piggie boys, playing soldiers. The animal chaps were all dressed up in soldier suits which they had gotten for Christmas, and Billie, the squirrel boy, was the captain, leading them, and waving a sword over his head.

"Hello, Uncle Wiggily!" called Billie, as he saw Mr. Longears peeking through the bushes. "We're playing soldier! Come on, play with us and have some fun."

"Thank you. I'm sorry, but I can't," said Uncle Wiggily. Some other time I may. I'm on my way now, to see Grandather Goosey Gander."

Then Mr. Longears waved good-by to the soldier boy animals, and they marched away through the woods. The bunny rabbit gentleman followed more slowly, leaning on his red, white and blue striped rheumatism crutch, for he was suffering some pain and had to go slowly.

All of a sudden, as Uncle Wiggily walked along he saw something bright and shining lying on the snow in front of him. He picked it up and saw that it was a sword.

"The same toy sword that Captain Billie Bushytail was playing soldier with," thought the bunny. "He must have dropped it as he marched along, and then he forgot about it. I'll keep it with me until I see him again."

And then and there in the woods all alone, where no one could see him, Uncle Wiggily waved the toy tin sword over his head and he softly cried, as his pink nose twinkled: "Charge on the enemy! Come on, soldiers!"

"Ha! It makes me feel quite like a boy again to have a toy sword, such as I used to play with," thought the bunny.

Then he went on and on through the woods, on his way to see Grandfather Goosey Gander, carrying Billie's toy sword with him.

Uncle Wiggily had not gone much farther before, all at once, as he came to a big mulberry bush all covered with snow, he heard a voice call:

"Hold on, there! You've gone far enough. Stop right where you are!"

"Who?" asked Uncle Wiggily, surprised like. "Who is to stop?"

"You," was the answer. "I've been waiting for you. Now I have you, and I think, though it's a little late, that I will have some souse for my Christmas dinner. I've been waiting for some ever since yesterday."

And then, out from under th bush, jumped the bad old Pipsisewah.

"Oh, dear!" thought Uncle Wiggily, "what shall I do? How can I stop the Pipsisewah from taking souse off my ears?"

And then, all at once, he remembered the tin toy sword he had picked up. Drawing Billie's Christmas sword from the pocket of his fur coat Uncle Wiggily waved the shiny thing over his head and cried:

"Come on, soldiers! Charge on the enemy Pipsisewah! Ready! Forward, march!"

The Pipsisewah looked for a second at the shiny sword, and then, not even guessing that it was only tin and would bend as easily as a hairpin, the bad animal cried:

"Oh, don't sword me! Don't sword me! I'll be good!" and away he ran as fast as anything, taking his tail with him, and not hurting the bunny at all. Then Mr. Longears was glad he had found the tin sword, which he afterwards gave back to Billie. And the bunny and Grandpa Goosey Gander had a nice Christmas talk together. And if the kitchen sink doesn't try to go up strairs and get its legs all tagled in the lace curtains, I'll tell you next about Uncle Wiggily and the wooden gun.

THE BEST PICK-ME-UP.

When there comes an aching thought,
When the soul with pain is fraught,
When all comfort seems as naught—
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Do not gloom away the hours
Looking o'er life's withered flowers;
Brooding squanders all your powers—
Take a dose of work.

For the eyes that see no light,
Ears that hear no sound aright,
Bring back hearing and clear sight
By a dose of work.
For the temper that's ablaze,
For the head that's in a maze,
And the mood that dulls the days,
Try a dose of work.

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It is "warranted all pure"—
Medicine of work.
No bad taste it leaves, in sooth;
It renews the fading youth,
Stirs one's appetite for truth—
Just a dose of work.

—Tit-Bits.

DOMESTIC STRATEGY.

"I just know I'm going to have a fearful headache."

"Feel it coming on?"

"No, but my husband has tickets for a tiresome recital this evening and I don't want to go."

IN WOMAN'S DOMAIN

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Garrett Hemsworth, of this city, is spending the Christmas holidays in Vancouver as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McConnell, of Beach Avenue.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Shallcross went over to Vancouver on Tuesday afternoon to spend the Christmas vacation with Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Shallcross, Shaughnessy Heights.

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Mrs. G. D. Christie has as her guests for Christmas holidays her sister, Mrs. F. McIntyre, of Vancouver, and the latter's son and daughter, Miss Alma and Master Kenneth.

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Mrs. Colin Cummins left on Tuesday morning for Vancouver, where she was called by the serious illness of her daughter Molly, who has fallen a victim to influenza-pneumonia.

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Miss Janet Mackay, who has just returned from England, where she has been working in the Canadian canteens, is visiting her sister and brother-in-law, Major and Mrs. G. E. Chaffey.

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At St. John's Presbyterian Church, Vancouver, on December 19, the marriage was solemnized by the Rev. Dr. Smith, of C. J. McDowell, of Victoria, and Jean Macrae, of Vancouver, late of Glasgow, Scotland.

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From The Vancouver Province: Capt. and Mrs. H. Pybus announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary, to Major A. D. Bell-Irving, M. C., son of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Bell-Irving, "The Strands," Harwood Street.

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Captain the Rev. Dr. Campbell, at his residence, Breadalbane, 1185 Fort Street, on Christmas Eve, celebrated the marriage of Frederick Edward Beacham of Nanaimo, and Miss Alberta McCosh of Victoria. The bride, who was accompanied by Miss Katie Bowerman, her niece, as bridesmaid, was gowned in grey silk. The groomsman was James Forsyth. After a trip to Vancouver, Mr. and Mrs. Beacham will make their home in Chemainus.

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A pretty wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Walker, 1014 McCaskill Street, Victoria West, at 6.30 last evening, when their daughter, Matilda, became the bride of Herbert Dover Muschamp, of Union Bay, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Muschamp, of Victoria, formerly of Glasgow, Scotland. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. John G. Inkster. The bride, who wore a becoming gown of blue silk poplin, was attended by Miss Vera Belle Basso, attired in a pretty frock of old rose crepe-de-chine. David Walker, brother of the bride, supported the groom. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. McDonald, the latter a sister of the bride; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde and family, Mr. Basso and son, and Miss Kennedy. After the ceremony the bridal party and guests sat down to a sumptuous repast, Scotch delicacies occupying a prominent place on the menu. Mr. and Mrs. Muschamp will make a motor tour of Vancouver Island before taking up their residence at Union Bay, where the groom has a farm.

TALL TALE TELLERS.

The soldier does not posses the monopoly in "swinging the lead."

Modern custom is increasing the fertility of imagination of the Waac and the Wren, the munition girl, and other women war-workers.

Into the ears of the overseer or the section leader of a number of girls or women are poured some really fine examples of modern "lead-swinging." Those who are making their first acquaintance with working for a living are the worst offenders. The seasoned girl-worker thinks twice before asking for a half-day off to attend the funeral of her aunt. Not so the beginner. She does so without blushing.

Just by Accident!

The record for "lead-swinging" must surely be held by a girl under seventeen, an embryo clerk in one of the Government departments. She wears big spectacles and has a face of almost cherubic innocence.

One afternoon she had the toothache and obtained a holiday to have the offending molar removed. The following afternoon she was absent to have a new tooth fitted in. Then on the third day came a request for the afternoon off to attend the funeral of her uncle. On the fourth day she proffered an exactly similar request.

"But you buried your uncle yesterday," said the exasperated overseer.

"Yes," was the amazing reply, "but a terrible thing happened—we buried him in the wrong grave, and to-day we have to have him dug up and put in the right one!"

A Deserved Shock.

One cannot but admire the newly-fledged war-worker who pathetically asked for the afternoon off to have her hair shampooed and crimped in readiness for a dance in the evening. And to equal admiration is entitled the budding enthusiast in war-work who begged to be excused from duty for a half-day to make jam "for the troops!"

Desperately anxious to secure half a day for a pleasure trip, a young married woman pleaded that her husband was dangerously ill and had been taken to a hospital a few miles away. She was allowed to go and see him. She returned next day remarkably jubilant for one who had visited a sick husband.

During the morning a telegram was handed to her. Her face blanched. This time it was a genuine intimation that her husband was ill. She took it to the overseer and confessed her deception. In the circumstances she was forgiven. —Tit-Bits.

He: "See that man over there? He's a bombastic ass, a windjammer nonentity, a conceited humbug, a parasite, and an encumbrance to the earth."

She: "Would you mind writing all that down for me?"

He: "Why in the world——"

She: "He's my husband, and I should like to use it on him some time."

CLEVER HUBBY.

"So your wife has stopped bothering you for an automobile."

"Yes; I tipped off a seer she patronizes to warn her against ever riding in one."

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The WEATHER

Daily Bulletin Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 26.—5 a. m.—An ocean storm now approaching Vancouver Island will cause southerly gales on the Coast and probably extend to the Straits and Sound. The weather is cold in the prairie provinces and heavy frosts have extended to the lower Mississippi valley.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.33; temperature, maximum yesterday, 38; minimum, 33; wind, 4 miles N.; weather, cloudy.

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.34; temperature, maximum yesterday, 34; minimum, 30; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.44; temperature, maximum yesterday, 26; minimum, 20; wind, 4 miles W.; weather, fair.

Barkerville—Barometer, 30.38; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 22, wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.72; temperature, maximum yesterday, 46; minimum, 38; wind, 26 miles E.; rain, .58; weather, clear.

Winnipeg — Temperature, maximum yesterday, 20; minimum, 8; snow, 1 inch.

Temperature.

	Max.	Min.
Tatoosh	42	38
Portland, Ore.	36	30
Seattle	36	28
San Francisco	50	42
Penticton	22	..
Nelson	24	..
Calgary	36	18
Edmonton	30	10
Qu'Appelle	24	20
Toronto	26	..
Ottawa	24	..
Montreal	26	..
Halifax	50	..

TO RED CROSS WORKERS

"The following telegram from headquarters has just been received:

"Charles Williams, Honorary Secretary-Treasurer Canadian Red Cross Society, Victoria.

"Headquarters of Canadian Red Cross Society extends to all officers, branches and auxiliaries of the society their cordial wishes for Christmas, gladdened by the thought of good work done and suffering relieved.

"For a New Year's motto, we will take the words of our Chief Commissioner in a report just received:

"'Until the last Canadian soldier, who offered himself as a barrier between us and destruction, is discharged from hospital, we must march forward steadily under one banner of the Red Cross.

"'NOEL MARSHALL.'"

£1,300 FOR A COAT.

"No dress under £50," was the information given at one salon, where exquisite frocks and embroideries attracted scores of Mayfair mothers and daughters. "And the most costly?" was the inquiry. "About £500," was the reply.

Other feminine fripperies were being ticketed at such a figure that we decided it was almost time to ask for a war-bonus. Stockings at £5 a pair, nightdresses at ten guineas each, petticoats at twenty guineas, corsets at any price from ten to forty guineas, and wraps up to 100 guineas, were among the trifles offered.

The limit was reached, however, in the fur departments, where £50 was being asked for a stole and £20 for a muff, while sable coats ranged from £700 to £1,300 each.—Tit-Bits.

CAUSE OF HIS DOWNFALL.

Kind Lady—Tell me, my poor man, how you became a tramp.

Weary Willie—Well, mum, dey got me ter jine one of them Don't Worry Clubs an' I got so I didn't keep a hang when I lost me job.

SIBERIAN TROOPS ARE ENTERTAINED BY LOCAL I. O. D. E.

Victorians Celebrate Festive Season With Feasting and Merry-Making

CELEBRATIONS AT LOCAL INSTITUTIONS

The spirit of Christmas was abroad in Victoria yesterday and in most homes the predominant feeling of thankfulness at the advent of peace found outlet in merry-making. Christmas cheer was in abundance on practically every table and, thanks to a generous public, Santa Claus missed but few homes in his midnight journey over the chimney-tops on Christmas Eve. While the Yuletide season is pre-eminently a time when families foregather, yet ample provision was made for the entertainment of those whom force of circumstances prevented from joining their friends.

At the Willows.

One of the largest Christmas parties was held at the Willows Camp at noon, when some eighteen hundred soldiers of the Siberian Forces sat down to a feast served in the big recreation hall. The dinner was provided by the Municipal Chapter, I. O. D. E., and served under the direction of Manager Calza, of the Empress Hotel. Through the kindness of Mr. Calza the 1,500 pounds of turkey was cooked by the hotel chef and his assistants, the latter also undertaking the gigantic task of carving.

The long tables, resplendant with holly and Christmas decorations, groaned beneath a load of good things, including turkey, with its accompanying cranberry sauce, vegetables of various kinds, plum pudding and pies, oranges, nuts, grapes, apples and candies. A touch of added festivity was given by the bottles of beer—of the two per cent. variety—which occupied a position of honor by each man's plate. Altogether the scene was a most festive one, the gay decorations of the hall and the tables throwing into strong relief the khaki of the soldier-guests.

I. O. D. E. Members Assist.

About fifty ladies, headed by Mrs. A. F. Griffiths, Regent of the Municipal Chapter, I. O. D. E., and assisted by Brigadier-General Bickford and the officers of the Siberian forces constituted a force of waiters, and with so many guests to wait upon their task was no sinecure. But good-natured banter and a stream of witticisms helped the feast on its way, and beaming faces testified to the merits of the good things provided for the men. A programme of delightful music by the unit's band gave an added zest to the proceedings.

At the conclusion of the dinner, the toast of the King was honored. General Bickford then called for three cheers for the Daughters of the Empire, to which the men responded with a vigor which shook the building. This was followed by three cheers for the General, and the singing of a number of popular and patriotic songs brought the first phase of the day's pleasures to a close.

Gala Performance.

The men then repaired to the Exhibition Building, where they and their lady friends indulged in dancing to the strains of music furnished by the band of the unit. The day's festivities wound up with a gala performance at the Royal Victoria Theatre, where the Red Cross Company generously gave a special performance of "All-of-a-Sudden Peggy" for the benefit of the soldiers—and it is doubtful whether Peggy ever displayed her lovable whimsicalities to a more appreciative audience than to these soldiers from the East.

Comrades of Great War.

One of the happiest reunions was that at the Comrades of the Great War home when a number of veterans met at dinner and compared notes over other—and less jubilant—Yuletides. The patients from Resthaven, accompanied by the matron and several of the nursing sisters, were among the guests, as well as several returned men who were without friends in the city. The party numbered about sixty, and Justice was done to the good fare provided—turkey, plum pudding, mince pies and all the other appurtenances to a Christmas dinner disappearing steadily under the onslaught of the attacking forces. The post-prandial gaities took the form of an informal dance, while those of the men who were unable by reason of their injuries to indulge in this pastime enjoyed a quiet hand at cards.

"The Cup That Cheers and Does—"

A glass of whisky—"Tell it not in Gath"—placed the inmates of the Aged Men's Home in jovially receptive mood for the good things which marked the Yuletide rejoicings at the institutions. And for once in the year, perhaps, the privileges of age were contemplated with longing eyes by the younger set without the pale—destined to toast the time-honored toast in two per cent. or something even weaker.

Breakfast was a veritable feast of Lucullus with ham and eggs galore, and its attendant bread and butter and aromatic coffee. This was followed by a concert in the forenoon, furnished by a phonograph owned by one of the inmates. At noon dinner was served, graced with the presence of the Mayor, Alderman Dinsdale, Chairman of the Home Committee, and Alderman Walker, each of whom contributed cigars for the occasion. Turkey and plum pudding and mince pies were among the good things which tempted the aged inmates to forget their dyspepsia and the other troubles to which the aged flesh is heir, while at teatime mince and apple pies and fruit made their appearance. In the evening the veterans of former wars again fought over their battles of by-gone years, while sourdoughs indulged in reminiscences of early days in the North.

Each inmate received the gift of a pipe from J. McIntosh, the superintendent of the Home, and in addition contributions of oranges were received from Dixi Ross, apples from Mrs. Porter, pipes, cigarettes, tobacco and matches from the pipe-fitters of the Imperial Munitions Board, tobacco and magazines from Mrs. B. W. Pearce, while Mrs. J. H. Todd set a cash donation of $5 and W. Fernie $10.

In the Churches.

Special services were held in most of the city churches. The following special music was rendered in Christ Church Cathedral in the morning: Te Deum in E (J. E. Watson); anthem, "O Holy Night" (Adams), with solo by Philip. H. Hughes; recitative and air from Messiah (Handel), "Comfort Ye" and "Every Valley Shall Be Exalted;" tenor solo by J. McMillan Muir.

At the Emmanuel Baptist Church an hour's service was held, commencing at 10.30. The choir and congregation joined in a number of hymns and carols. An appropriate address was delivered by Rev. Wm. Stevenson.

The local hospitals celebrated the occasion with the serving of Yuletide fare, the wards being gaily decorated by loving hands for the occasion. Special musical services, in which the patients joined, were held in the hospitals in the morning, and in the afternoon visitors thronged the wards to add their Christmas greetings to the total of the days good wishes.

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THE COMING OF PEACE ---AT THE FRONT

How the Soldiers Received the News.

By Lieut. R. S. M. Sturges. (Author of "On the Remainder of Our Front).

Anyone who watched the outburst of enthusiasm which filled the streets of London with cheering, flag-waving crowds of men and women on Monday, November 11 must have thought that much as the end of the war meant to these people, it meant far more to the soldiers at the front. The people of London, of England, have, it is true, good cause to rejoice; their loved ones in France are out of danger, the haunting fear of air raids is gone forever, there is a prospect of the removal of the various restrictions on lighting, on food, coal, petrol, etc., there is, above all, the knowledge that the cause of right and justice has triumphed.

But how much more cause for rejoicing have the men in France! They who have lived for so long with death lurking round the corner are now safe from his machinations; the noises of death—the smack of the bullet, the whistle of the shell, the drone of the Gotha, the detonation of high explosives—are silent forever. No more must they drive forward through the mud and rain, wade rivers and cut through wire, with the prospect always before them of a waterproof sheet, a little wooden cross and a mound of earth in one of the many cemeteries which mark the battlefields of France. Their job is done; the enemy is beaten and victory has come at last. In France must be the real rejoicing; London's joy is but a reflection of it. How then did the British soldier receive the coming of peace?

The answer to this question is now coming through in the letters written by the men themselves. The gist of all these letters is the same. At the front there was little or no excitement. One man says that he was asleep when the news came, and he did not wake up till some time afterwards. Then someone told him that the armistice was signed at five o'clock that morning. "Was it?" was all he said, "I hadn't heard."

It was as though it was something so tremendous that any attempt to express it by shouting or cheering was hopelessly out of place. There is a feeling in the air, these letters say, of absolute relief; the strain is at an end and there is rest at last. One letter tells of an attempt to celebrate the occasion by a very light display, but as a peace celebration it was a failure.

Instead of showing any enthusiasm in the display the writer found himself arguing with another man on the subject of the British S.O.S. signal, whether it was changed from time to time and if so how often. The searchlights also contributed to the proceeding and waggled drunkenly across the sky. But the soldiers were not inspired thereby to cheer and wave flags. What they appreciated far more was the permission to light fires in the open—a luxury which had been forbidden for years.

The extraordinary calmness with which the end of the war has been received at the front is a thing to marvel at. It may be that the desolate surroundings are not without their influence on the men. They realize more than the people in England can ever do that the coming of peace has by no means put an end to the misery and havoc which the war has wrought in France and Belgium. Every letter from the front contains heart-rending stories of the plight of the civilians, who having been taken from their homes by the Germans are now returning to find them mere heaps of ruin. One letter says that these unhappy people, after a life of wretchedness and starvation in the hands of the Germans, are too dazed to be able to understand what is happening. They cannot realize that the war is over and that they are free again. They are grateful to their liberators, they are full of thanks for the food, shelter and clothing that they are now receiving; but they do not cheer and wave flags.

All the flag waving, shouting and singing with which England has celebrated the coming of peace is but so much froth which bubbles to the surface and overflows because it cannot contain itself. It is a symptom of a much more real and permanent emotion which lies underneath. Those who shouted loudest and waved most vigorously were for the most part those to whom the end of the war meant least of all. By way of contrast may be cited the case of an officer who, as he pushed his way through the cheering crowds in the streets of London on that fateful Monday morning, felt a lump rise in his throat and with difficulty repressed the tears that rose to his eyes. It is this deeper underlying feeling of thankfulness, of relief and of real joy which finds no adequate expression in outward manifestations that characterizes the attitude towards peace of the British soldier at the front, who has done so much to win it.

FERDINAND FOCH

MASTER-MIND OF THE ALLIED VICTORY.

By G. H. Perris, in The London Chronicle.

We have had many "days," and the day of the final victory will belong to all the combatants for the just cause, the dead and the living. To-day is peculiarly Foch's day, the climacteric of a career yet little known, but, for those who have watched it, logically directed to this great end. Nobody will be less moved than he by the crowding honors now added to his deserts.

Our generation has not been favorable to hero worship. When, in August 1914, I began to watch the war for The Daily Chronicle it was with a mind obsessed by a then prevalent strain of sceptical thought. Personality, it seemed, must be overwhelmed by the immense mechanism of this conflict. No individual brain could dominate it as the great soldiers of the past dominated their battlefields. Many circumstances gave color to this mistake. It became a current saying that the war was "anonymous," as well as "invisible." Headquarters were wrapped in a veil of mystery. Never before had secrecy been so extensively imposed. The trained observers who have since been recognized and given abundant facilities were then treated by the Staffs as intruders and possible spies.

Personal Factor in War.

Very slowly, a few figures emerged from the shadows—Hindenburg and Ludendorff most conspicuously, then the over-modest Joffre and one or two of his lieutenants. On the Allied side it was, I think, Foch who first departed from the old practice. At any rate, I date my own awakening to the personal factor in the war to the month of December, 1914, when, among other notable experiences, I spent a full day with General Sarrail at Verdun, and five volcanic minutes with General Foch, then directing the four northern armies, French, British and Belgian, from a small room in the village of Cassel. On arriving, I did not know he was there. No sign marked the house out from its terrace neighbors; within, there was no sign of pomp or comfort—it might have been an engineer's or architect's office.

A short, quick-moving, clear-glanced man, in dark blue uniform, came in, and, after a curt greeting, uttered a sharp speech of about a hundred explosive words, noting the critical character of the twenty-days' battle of the Yser, the endurance and gallantry of the men. Then, before I could utter a syllable of thanks, he had turned back to his work. What he had said was nothing—the manner of it left on me an ineffaceable impression of a fiery intelligence, a devouring energy, an indomitable will.

The heavy years dragged on. While Joffre was succeeded by Nivelle and Petain, French by Haig, Foch—who, as director of the French War School, had trained a generation of officers, who, at the head of the famous 20th Corps in Lorraine, of the 9th Army in the Battle of the Marne, and of the Allied Armies in Flanders, had shown his brilliant powers—passed into comparative obscurity. A short illness was aggravated by the loss of a beloved son. The evolution of the united command began, under the whip of adversity and the leadership of Lloyd George and Clemenceau.

"Apply to Foch."

It was an older Foch who received a band of war correspondents in the public library of a town of Santerre on April 5 last, and told us that the flood of the last German offensive was broken. "The tide has beaten itself out on the shore. We have stopped it. Now we shall try to do better. I don't think there is anything else to say." Never a wasted word with Foch.

This something "better" did not begin, in public effect, till July 18. From that day to this it has not ceased to develop. Fifteen weeks of victory uninterrupted by a single considerable reverse; Germany's allies out of action; Germany herself on the eve of surrender. "Apply to Foch!" To-day no one questions the magic of the united command; and few will question the right of the man who wields it to the title of the greatest soldier in the world, one who in history will stand alongside Julius Caesar and Napoleon.

The time has not come for a full-length portrait of Marshal Foch. Even in the outstanding episodes of his association with the war—the battle of Morhange, the victory at the centre in the battle of the Marne, the dramatic interview between Foch and Sir John French on October 30, 1914, and, above all, the development of his direction of the Allied armies—the full and exact truth cannot yet be told. More difficult still is it to determine what value Foch's strategical and tactical teaching retains ten years afterwards, and what are the qualities that will have most contributed to the final victory. Some will say his energy and will, and will seek to represent him as justifying the orthodox school of military thought under which France entered the war. I should lay more stress on his intellectual fertility.

Thought in Action.

There are two geniuses of the war, who have been equally necessary to the triumph of the Allies—Joffre, massive, pawky, imperturbable, the genius of our defensive period; Foch, dynamic, creative, the perfect union of thought and action, the genius of our rapid victory. It has been the most wonderful riposte to be found in the annals of warfare. Foch's means were little superior to those of the enemy; but every blow has been designed with consummate skill, and the whole process has been relentlessly cumulative.

Suggestive as are his academic essays of earlier days, it is not in them, but in these dramatic deeds, that the secrets of his power are to be found.

A soldier was waiting for the Muddleton train, the only one of the day. After he had waited for an unreasonable time the porter hove in sight.

"How long will I have to wait," the soldier asked, "for that bally train?"

"How long have you got?" asked the porter, with apparent irrelevance.

"Fourteen days."

"Well," said the porter, "you'd better

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CHRISTMAS SKATING RECORD FOR ARENA

Professionals Will Hold First Practice on the Ice To-night

Skating proved one of the most attractive holiday events for Christmas Day, and the arena at the Willows and in the afternoon there was the largest crowd on the ice that there has been for five years. The holiday spirit prevailed, and the seasonable sport was enjoyed and helped by the splendid condition of the ice.

Practice To-Night.

The first practice of the players Lester Patrick has gathered together to wear the Aristocrats colors will take place to-night. Clem Loughlin, Moose Johnson, Charlie Tobin and Tommy Murray made a Christmas Day arrival in the city and Tommy Dunderdale and Alf Barbour are expected before to-night.

JIMMY BENDRODT HOME

LIEUTENANT JIMMY BENDRODT

clever young boxer who has just arrived in Victoria again and is receiving the cordial greetings of his many friends in the city. Jimmy, who put up a good exhibition against Frank Flemming the Canadian champion, while training for the air force in Toronto, saw service with the First Australian Expeditionary Force. He expects to leave for Australia January 18, but in the meantime W. N. Kennedy is trying to arrange for Lieutenant Bendrodt to give a few pointers to the memebrs of the Foundation Athletic Association on the noble art.

FOWLER'S DEPARTURE WORRYING MULDOON

The Mets' Manager Lost Star Goalkeeper When Norman Left Victoria

Norman Fowler's departure from Victoria with the Canadian Siberian Expeditionary Force a few days ago was a big jolt to Manager Pete Muldoon, who was figuring on obtaining the clever young goalee to keep the Metropolitan net free from the puck this season.

Although Manager Muldoon has several players in sight for the team it would be little less than a miracle if one should be picked up who could fill Fowler's shoes. It now looks as if Seattle would try to land Holmes for the coming season. He played a great goal in the East last year, and finished strong when he was with Seattle the last time.

The Seattle Club is also anxious to get the services of Jim Riley, but information recently received in a letter from Lyming, Kent, is not very promising although Muldoon has not yet given up hope of getting him back in time to take part in the fight. Riley is anxious to get a crack at Moose Johnson and some of the other stars Lester Patrick has lined up to carry the Aristocrats along the victorious path. His letter says:

"So Lester Patrick is going to operate in Victoria again. I suppose that Frank Foyston and 'Heck' will be back again O. K. this year, but it is tough on me not being able to get there, but I am pulling for the boys just the same.

"Oh, boy, wouldn't old Cy Griffith look easy now, or one jolt at old 'Moose' Johnson.'

"Well, I am going in training to get into shape in case I make Seattle by the time the old jinks hops on the tail of the club as he usually does in the last two weeks of the season."

Jack Walker, Frank Foyston, Bernie Morris and Bobble Rowe are the players at present ready to don the Mets uniform and "Cully" Wilson and Roy Rickey are mentioned among the probables.

COULDN'T BE TOO SOON.

An amateur sailor was making his first trip across the Atlantic and was in the throes of the mal-est mal de mer when the ship's surgeon came across him.

"What's the matter?" was the doctor's callous query.

"O-o-oh," was the only response as the young man rolled over in agony.

"Come, get up," derided the surgeon, grinning unfeelingly. "The ship's been torpedoed and will sink in ten minutes."

"Ten minutes!" the sick man protested, feebly. "Can't you make it any sooner?"—Tit-Bits.

CHRISTMAS DAY PLAY IN NAVY LEAGUE GOLF

Hole in One Made on Oak Bay Links by Player

The third day's play in the Navy League golf tournament, for which the Victoria Golf Club has generously granted the use of the Oak Bay Links, drew a large entry of golfers who welcomed the continuance of the ideal weather for a golf tournament.

Hole in One.

During the day J. P. Babcock, in the men's singles, played a blind hole of 160 yards, and made a hole in one, but not being able to find the ball conceded it to his opponent. Other players discovered the ball in the hole. There were over eighty entries for the singles, and one of the most interesting contests was that between F. Thomas and Bernie Schwengers which resulted in a win for Thomas right at the finish. Two other games finished at a half up, A. S. Robertson losing to George Johnson to whom he gave four and a half holes start, the winner only managing to snatch the victory on the last green. E. D. Todd also won on the last green over J. C. Noble, to whom he was conceding two holes. One of the features was the number of young players taking part in the tournament, five or six boys about fifteen years of age being in the race for honors.

D. M. Grant, who has just arrived home after being released from Germany, was on the links, and the popular sportsman received the cordial congratulations of his many friends. He lost to B. Wilson, one of the stars of the Victoria Club by five up. Yesterday's play resulted as follows:

Men's Singles—First Round.

J. Rogers beat A. Coles, 2½ up.
E. D. Todd beat J. C. Noble, 1 up.
J. W. Aubrey beat J. A. Rithet, 6½ up.
H. Coombe beat A. C. Flumerfelt, 2½ up.
W. B. Wilson beat L. H. Hardie, ½ up.
A. M. Shaw beat C. W. Gamble, 5 up.
J. H. Wilson beat T. S. Gore, 3 up.
Judge Lampman beat J. R. Matson, 6 up.
J. S. Bowker beat D'Arcy Tate, 2½ up.
F. Nation beat J. Dickson, 2 up.
A. V. Price beat J. P. Babcock, 1½ up.
A. P. Luxton beat C. M. Lindsay, 3 up.
H. S. Cove beat Col. A. W. Jones, 1 up.
B. Wilson beat D. M. Grant, 5 up.
G. C. Johnston beat A. S. Robertson, ½ up.
A. W. Harvey beat J. O. Grahame, by default.
D'Arcy Martin beat C. E. Wilson, 2 up.
J. C. Barnacle beat Major Jukes, 5 up.
G. H. Barnard beat R. Ross Sutherland, 2½ up.
F. A. McDiarmid beat H. E. Beasley, 2½ up.
W. C. Moresby beat R. B. Mosher, 2 up.
J. Hargrave beat Major F. B. Barton, 2 up.
J. E. Wilson beat H. G. Wilson, 3 up.
B. Schwengers, beat J. A. Lindsay, 3 up.
F. Thomas beat C. P. Schwengers, 1 up.
H. G. Barrett beat R. H. Swinerton, 1 up.
J. A. Sayward beat A. R. Green, 4 up.
T. Lampman beat D. M Gordon, 2 up.
R. W. Gibson beat G. Bird, 7 up.
H. L. Phillips beat H. G. Heisterman, 2 up.
W. T. Williams beat J. B. Lambert, 3 up.
A. P. Boultbee beat H. R. Robertson, by default.
H. M. Redpath beat H. R. Burroughs, 5 up.

Second Round.

H. M. Redpath beat A. P. Boultbee, 3 up.
G. H. Barnard beat J. C. Barnacle, 2 up.
F. S. McDiarmid beat W. C. Moresby, 2 up.
F. Thomas beat S. Schwengers, 1 up.

Ladies' Singles—Medal Play.

Draw for Friday's play—Mrs. B. Wilson plays Miss M. A. Lawson.
Mrs. Justice Archer Martin plays Mrs. A. P. Boultbee.
Mrs. Bennett plays Miss A. McLeod.
Mrs. T. S. Gore plays Mrs. A. R. Green.
Mrs. J. E. Wilson plays Mrs. Tweedale.
Mrs. McCrae plays Mrs. J. W. Jones.
Miss T. Wilson plays Mrs. B. S. Heisterman.
Mrs. Goward plays Miss Tuck.

SUGGESTS SUBSTITUTES BE ALLOWED IN SOCCER

Use of a substitute in the event of an injury to a player in soccer contests will be proposed at the coming meeting of the International Federation of Football Association, the world-wide governing council of the sport.

CHRISTMAS HOCKEY.

Fort William, Dec. 25.—In a close hockey match here to-day, Port Arthur defeated Fort William by a score of ten to seven.

SHE STILL LIVED.

Two soldiers were talking about their home affairs. One of them explained that his wife had been a Miss Maggie Murphy.

"And a fine girl, too!" exclaimed the other.

"What, do you know her?" asked the husband.

"Know her?" laughed the other. "Why, I remember one day, when we were out boating on the river at home, we came to an island, where we landed. 'Now, Maggie, me dear!' ses I, 'it's either ye kiss me or I drown yez!'"

"And and did ye kiss her?" gasped the husband.

"The other looked at him mischievously. "Was she drowned?" he asked.—Tit-Bits.

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SOCCER PLAYERS DRAW LARGE CROWD FOR HOLIDAY GAME

Esquimalt Too Good for Victoria Eleven and Win by Three to One

Although Victoria lost by three goals to one in the Christmas Day soccer game against Esquimalt, a large crowd of spectators present were treated to a good game and a hard fight, which would have been better represented by a draw. Incidentally a good start was given by the soccer players to the suggested combined memorial to footballers and cricketers by a collection which realized $55.

When the whistle blew, the Victoria eleven was minus three of the players selected for the game, but Bloom, McIlmoyl and Townsend stepped into the breach. Esquimalt took the lead by registering the first goal of the game and a hard fought first half resulted in no other score being made. Copas and Whyte were the two best backs on the field, Copas particularly putting up a stubborn defence. Humber, of the Foundation Company, did not shine in goal. Although he is fairly good at stopping the fast one his clearances were weak. Bob Whyte, however, miskicked one for Esquimalt with the result that the first goal was scored, the other two being registered by Nicholas and Fillmore. In the centre forward position Fillmore showed that he well deserved his place in the eleven.

Bloom scored the only goal for Victoria with some of his clever head work. Taking advantage of the ball being swung in to the centre he got his head to it just at the right moment and put it into the net in a manner that gave the goalkeeper no chance.

JIMMY ALLAN.

Jimmy Allan, speedy captain of the Foundation team, played on left half. He was there with his usual trickiness, and was one of the shining lights of the halves.

WILL QUIT WHITE SOX.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Capt. James Scott, oldest pitcher on the White Sox reserve list, is to quit the club to play next season with a semi-professional nine at Beloit, Wis., it was learned yesterday. Scott left the White Sox in mid-season of 1917 to attend an officers' training school at Presidio, Cal., and won a commission as captain in the reserve army. He is now here on a furlough, but expects to return after the first of the year to Camp Lewis, Wash., where he will hand in his resignation from the army. Capt. Scott has been acting as instructor in small arms, and owing to this assignment was unable to get overesas.

HAVE DOZEN PLAYERS.

Toronto, Dec. 26.—The Dentals have registered an even dozen players with Secretary W. A. Hewitt, of the O. H. A. They will carry two goalers, Stewart and Forbes, and substitutes for every position. Smith and McCaffery, who were reported to be seriously considering joining Newman Hall, are in the list. It is reported here that the Toronto club may trade Harry Mummery, who has not yet reported to the Canadiens, for Corbeau. The latter has been offered a position here and he has signified his willingness to play in Toronto. Mummery, it is stated, is a holdout.

AUSTRALIAN TURF CLASSIC.

The Melbourne cup, the classic race of the Australian turf with $30,000 added money, one of the richest races in the world, was this year won by the five-year-old gelding Nightwatch, lightweight. It covered the two miles in 3.25¾. A total of twenty-seven horses started in the race.

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MATTHEW J. BARR IS VICTIM OF INFLUENZA

Well-Known Lacrosse Man Passes at Calgary; Many Friends Here

Scores of friends made in Victoria through his connection with lacrosse, and also in business, will hear with regret of the death at Calgary on Tuesday of Matthew J. Barr from influenza followed by pneumonia. Mr. Barr, who frequently visited Victoria on business concerning the firm of Barr and Anderson, of Vancouver, was a Past Master of the Mt. Hermon Lodge, A. F. and A. M.

He lived in Vancouver for the past twenty-five years, and was especially well known in sporting circles and was an ex-member of the old Vancouver lacrosse team.

Mr. Barr was born in England, but came out to Canada when a boy, first living in Winnipeg. He was forty-three years of age. As soon as he was old enough he began to take an active interest in all sport, but especially in lacrosse. As a member of the old Vancouver lacrosse team, he played many a game on the historic grounds at Brockton Point. Later, when he dropped out of lacrosse as an active player, he continued to act as a referee and in other official positions. He refereed in the exciting games between Vancouver and Westminster in 1908-1909 when the hard fights between the cities for championship honors drew big crowds of fans to the games.

About a week ago Mr. Barr made a business trip to Calgary, where he was taken ill with influenza, and gradually sank with the disease. He had two sisters, Mrs. A. M. McQuarrie, of Vancouver, and Mrs. Andrew Waddell, wife of the Chief of Police at Steveston. He also had a brother, James Barr, a returned soldier, living in Vancouver.

FUNERAL TOOK PLACE ON WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

St. Catharines, Ont., Dec. 26.—John R. Wilson, a former St. Catharines hockey player, who a few years ago conducted a fruit business in Calgary, and for the last two years conducted a grocery establishment in Niagara Falls, was buried here yesterday on the twelfth anniversary of his wedding.

THIRTY DAYS FOR BETTING.

Toronto, Dec. 26.—David Palmer was convicted in the police court here for conducting a common betting place at the Arena and sentenced to jail for thirty days without the option of a fine. Constable Courtney swore that at a recent hockey game between the Dentals and Royal Air Force he personally wagered $50 with Palmer at 2 to 1. Two other constables testified to having seen money passing to Palmer. Palmer's attorney said he would appeal the case.

PATRIOTIC SPORTS.

The biggest football return to the national patriotic sports committee in connection with their drive for the united war work campaign was the $25,000 turned in as a result of the Pittsburg-Georgia Tech game. In all the various boxing, golf, soccer, trap shooting and other events netted a total of $200,000.

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TO-DAY'S AMUSEMENTS

Royal—German Fleet Surrender and "Hearts of the Wild."

Pantages—Vaudeville.

Dominion—Clara Kimball Young in "The Reason Why," and Charlie Chaplin in "The Champion."

Variety—Elaine Hammerstein in Pathe picture, "Her Man."

Columbia — Wm. Duncan and Carol Holloway in "Dead Shot Baker." Also Charlie Chaplin in "The Floor Walker."

Romano—Harry Carey in "Hell Bent."

ROYAL VICTORIA

When Edgar Selwyn's play, "Pierre of the Plains," Mr. Selwyn's dramatization of Sir Gilbert Parker's novel "Pierre and His People," was produced in New York ten years ago, with Elsie Ferguson in the stellar role, the play scored a prodigious success. This play has been picturized for Artcraft under the name of "Hearts of the Wilds," and will be the attraction at the Royal Victoria again to-night, and by a coincidence, Miss Ferguson lends her genius to the creation in motion pictures of the stellar role, that of Jen, daughter of a tavern keeper on the Canadian border line, about whom the plot centres.

Jen's brother Val slays an Indian who makes a disparaging remark regarding his sister and he flees to the border to escape the Mounted Police. Sergeant Tom, a member of that organization, loves Jen and unaware that Val is the fugitive, he starts in pursuit. To frustrate the delivery of certain sealed orders which he carries, Val's father and a friend pour laudanum in Tom's coffee and he is stupefied by the drug. Jen takes the sealed orders and rides to Rise Post and delivers them to the commandant. She is unaware that her brother is a murderer and that she has by her act made his arrest inevitable.

The subsequent developments are highly dramatic. Tom is accidentally shot by Jen and she nurses him back to life and health. Cupid then enters the lists against them, the result being their betrothal. Miss Ferguson is supported by fine players including Thomas Meighan, E. L. Fernandez, Matt Moore and Sidney D'Albrook.

"The Surrender of the German Fleet" is also shown as an added attraction. This picture has just arrived from England.

VARIETY

W. Lawson Butt, the eminent actor who supports Elaine Hammerstein in "Her Man," the wonderful drama of the Kentucky feud regions which will be at the Columbia to-day, is destined to gain a wide following because of his splendid work in this picture. Mr. Butt was born in 1883. His stage career includes leads in "The Wanderer," "The Merry Wives of Windsor," "The Taming of the Shrew," etc. He is six feet two in height and therefore is true to that Kentucky mountain type which averages more six-footers than any other section of the country. "Her Man" was produced by Advance Motion Picture Corporation, of which Lee Shubert, the well-known theatrical producer, is president, and distributed by Pathe. Ralph Ince directed.

DOMINION

Clara Kimball Young's production of "The Reason Why" for Select Pictures is marked throughout by a gorgeousness of scenic and sartorial investiture which make it especially noteworthy. It is fitting, therefore, that the wedding scene of the story, in which Miss Young, as Zara, marries Lord Tancred, a scion of the bluest blood in Britain, should be staged in a set whose lavishness stands out in even this production.

In Miss Young's studio was erected an exact replica of St. George's Chapel in Hanover Square, London, internationally famous as Hymen's rendezvous for Mayfair, the scene of the smartest weddings of England's proudest nobility. Elinor Glyn, the author of the novel, "The Reason Why," is herself a member of the Mayfair set, and has been a guest at many of the elaborate functions held at St. George's. Her description of it embodies, therefore, the very spirit as well as the physical characteristics of the Chapel. Not trusting her own memory of the Chapel, Miss Young has insisted on a faithful adherence to this word-picture, as well as numerous authentic photographs, in the studio reproduction.

It was for "The Reason Why," incidentally, that Lucile, world-renowned dress-maker, created nineteen masterpieces to be worn by the beautiful star, giving an added personal attention to them because she is Mrs. Glyn's sister. This picture is shown here at the Dominion Theatre.

ROMANO

She changed her gingham apron for glittering spangles of tinsel and gold to dance for money in the sham splendor of a mining camp dance hall. She stood ready to make the sacrifice for a sick mother and a spineless brother. It was her first night on the toboggan of a dance hall saloon where girls go with the drinks. Clattering through the crowded dance hall on wiry little cow pony rode Cheyene Harry. He rode to the extreme agitation of the dance hall boss, but his coming was a godsend to the girl.

"In Hell Bent," Harry Carey's latest Special production, one sees the open country as it was before the smooth batter of civilization was poured into the waffle-iron of the West. Carey, the famous Western actor, carries the leading role. Opposite him plays lovely Neva Gerber as the novice in the cloister of sin.

Harry Carey plays Western roles genuinely. He acts with the realism of twenty years on the range.

This picture, "Hall Bent," will thrill you. You will be stirred by the daring of the fearless man in a country where fear was unhealthy.

This picture, "Hell Bent," will Romano for three days, commencing to-day.

COLUMBIA

An Eastern girl, bride of the sheriff of Wolfville, forms an attachment for the new postmaster, a polished, dapper Easterner, and in his distress at not being able to hold the affection of his wife, the brave sheriff deliberately seeks death that she might be free to wed the postmaster. He passes the lie to a gambler and refuses to draw his gun, but friends detecting his purpose prevent a killing. Then single-handed he engages an outlaw leader and falls over a cliff to seeming certain death, as the posse he is leading is routed.

Filled with remorse and her latent love for the brave officer fully awakened when the remnants of the posse returns with word of his death and that he died to free her, the girl upbraids the men for fleeing and leads them back into the fight. The outlaws this time are defeated and Dead Shot Baker, her sheriff husband, is found wounded in a cabin at the foot of the cliff holding off an attacking party. She nurses him back to life and happiness.

"Dead Shot Baker," the Greater Vitagraph Blue Ribbon feature, which is the attraction at the Columbia Theatre to-day and for the balance of the week, is an adaptation of the famours Wolfville tale of that name.

PANTAGES

The big athletic headliners at the Pantages this week have centred a lot of attention at the popular house of vaudeville. Their act is for the most part decidedly new to Victoria audiences and the whirlwind presentation of their numbers keeps the audiences in a high pitch of excitement. They are known as the International Nine, and they derive the name from the spectacular finish of their act in which each of the performers appears to represent one of the Allied nations. Their work is fast and clean, and gives remarkable punch to the whole bill.

Another popular offering in feature position is that of the Five American Girls, singers and instrumentalists, in what is accounted one of the best of the musical acts in vaudeville. Harry and Adelaide introduce a turn of novelty dancing, and the other three acts of the bill give the bright, warm element of comedy. Everybody gets a laugh from Jack Goldie's fun in blackface while his whistling makes one of the decided hits of the show. The Tinney Players present a comedy sketch entitled "Behind the Front," a black and white travesty on the war. Harry Fields and Jack Wells are funmakers with a punch introducing songs and patter. The fourth episode of "A Fight For Millions" makes its own appeal.

AMERICAN SOPRANO WILL SING HERE

In Concert With Unique Instrumental Trio Early in New Year

That Chamber Music is becoming more popular each year in its appeal to the general public is well proven by the superb success of the trio which comes to the Royal Victoria Theatre on Friday, January 3, under the local management of the Victoria Ladies' Musical Club. This organization is composed of three celebrated individuals in the persons of George Barrere, flautist, Carlos Salzedo, harpist, and Paul Kefer, 'cellist. As a token of regard for their native city, they named their combination, the "Trio de Lutece" because in the early days of the Roman invasion of Europe, Paris was known as Lutetia, or Lutece.

Dedicated to all who love the beautiful and distinctive in Music, the Trio de Lutece made its first appearance two years ago before that most blase of all publics, a New York audience. So instantaneous was the approval that it was found necessary immediately to repeat the performance.

The Trio repertoire is wide and includes every charm that classical music has to offer, from the quaint melodies of the old school to the ultra modern dissonances.

With the renowned trio of instrumentalists will appear Lucy Gates, the American Coloratura Soprano, who is known to the Canadian and American public as an artist possessing an almost incomparable technique, dramatic power and faultless phrasing.

Her recent successes as substitute for Madame Galli-Curci have added to her already long list of triumphs. In speaking of one such appearance, The Washington Times says: "To the honor of Lucy Gates, an American coloratura soprano, the difficult role of substitute for Mme. Galli-Curci was not only filled but met with enthusiasm. Miss Gates sang two arias with a warmth and sweetness of voice and an admirable smoothness and ingratiating charm in her coloratura work. In the opening cadenza of the "Bell Song' it was the soft echo singing that showed the greatest finish, while its concluding thrill and high finale brought a storm of applause. Throughout the 'Barber of Seville' aria, the execution, the subtle nuance and the musical beauty made it a distinctive example of coloratura singing."

The more money a man saves while young the more he will have to spend on patent medicines when he gets old.

ASKED COURT FOR OFFICIAL INQUIRY

Local Lady Concerned in Vancouver Life Insurance Company's Affairs

An application was made on behalf of Mrs. Richards, wife of Sheriff Richards, of Victoria, one of the shareholders, to Mr. Justice Morrison on Monday in Vancouver, to have an inquiry into the liquidation of the Vancouver Life Company.

E. J. Grant, appearing on plaintiff's behalf, presented affidavits alleging that to meet liabilities of $1,000 in the Vancouver Life liquidation, the liquidator, F. F. Busteed, had collected $11,000 by means of lawsuits against shareholders, of which he had disbursed $7,200 in law costs.

In explaining the situation, Mr. Grant said the Vancouver Life Insurance Co. was floated some years ago by Newell Van Sickle, a promoter, who sold the shares at a premium of $25, which premium he took for the promotion expenses, agreeing to pay all preliminary and flotation expenses out of his share. Most of the shares paid a first call of $35, though on some, larger amounts had been paid.

The company, said Mr. Grant, never did a cent's worth of business because it did not sell enough stock to enable it to make the deposit of $50,000 and secure a certificate entitling it to commence business. A year ago, to clear it out of the way, it was decided to wind the company up. The only liabilities known at that time were about $1,000 of unpaid bills in connection with the flotation. F. F. Busteed was appointed liquidator with W. G. Anderson as his solicitor.

"Up to the time of this report," said Mr. Grant, "fifty lawsuits have been commenced, twenty judgments have been obtained, $11,000 collected, of which over $7,000 has been taxed for solicitor's costs. The thing will be nearly all eaten up by lawyers' costs."

The suit against Mrs. Richards, said Mr. Grant, was only a County Court action for $500, yet the costs had been charged at $272.15, of which $252.50 had been allowed on taxation.

C. W. Craig, counsel for the liquidator and his solicitor, stated that the law was quite clear and he had so advised Mr. Busteed and his solicitor, that any fraud practiced by Van Sickle upon the subscribers did not relieve their obligation to the liquidation. It was the liquidator's duty, he said, to make all the subscribers pay up, even if there had been fraud.

Mr. Craig stated that as a result of the action $16,000 had been collected to date and more is coming in. The principal item in the liabilities had been a sum of $1,500 due for law expense in connection with extensions of time for procuring a charter at Ottawa, but since the liquidation had started a claim had been admitted for a refund of $3,000 subscribed by a man whose shares had not been allotted when the company went into liquidation.

Mr. Justice Morrison reserved his decision, requesting the liquidator in the meantime to supply him with a list of the shareholders so that the Court might decide whether it is opportune to call a meeting.

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TO-DAY
ELAINE HAMMERSTEIN
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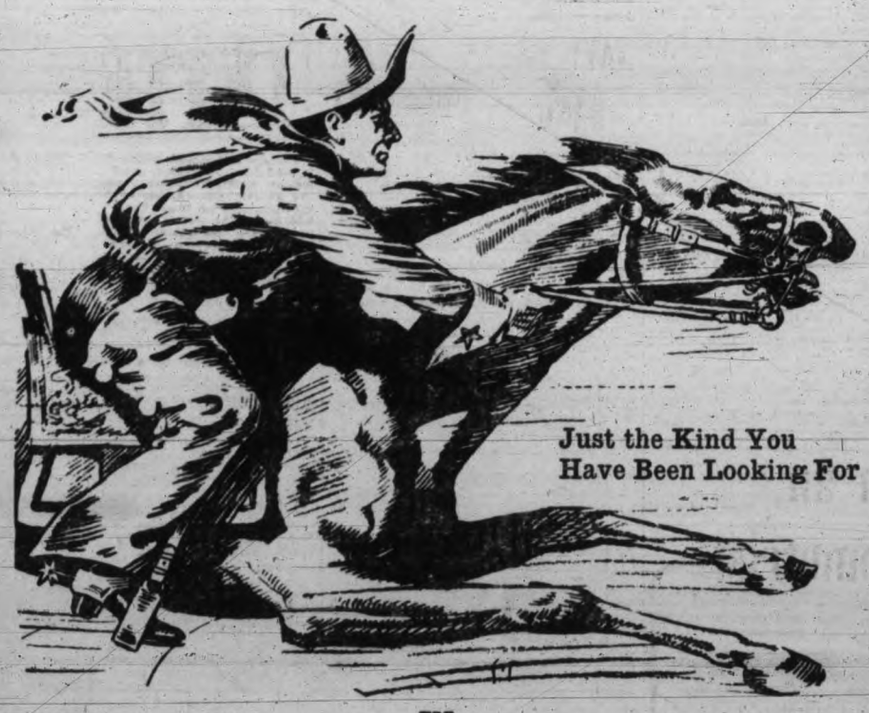
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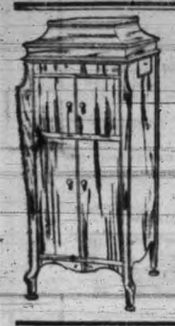

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Choral Society Rehearsal.—To-night the rehearsal of the Choral Society will be held in St. John's Hall at 8 o'clock, this rehearsal taking the place of Tuesday night's rehearsal, which was postponed on account of it being Christmas Eve. Important proposals will be laid before the members.

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Was Not Elected.—In giving the list of deputy returning officers for the forthcoming civic election an error was made in stating that "C. E." Redfern's name had been submitted, but not chosen. It should have read "A. E." Redfern. Ex-Mayor Redfern says: "My son, A. E. Redfern, returned soldier, was a candidate, but was not elected, as the Council evidently preferred to give all the appointments to civilians."

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Regent Thanks Helpers.—Mrs. A. F. Griffiths, Regent of the Municipal Chapter, I. O. D. E., wishes specially to thank those ladies who so generously gave up their time yesterday morning to help at the Willows Camp with the serving of the Christmas dinner to the troops.

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Attempted Hold Up.—Wong Yet, a Chinaman, has reported to the police that a white man seized him at the corner of Fisgard Street and Blanshard Avenue last night and attempted to rob him.

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Is Feeling Better.—Dr. A. G. Price, Medical Health Officer, is reported to be feeling somewhat better to-day. He has been suffering from a severe attack of bronchitis for some days. It is the second time that he has been laid up recently from this cause.

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Christmas Greetings—Through Secretary J. Bloom, the Comrades of the Great War extend Christmas greetings and thanks to all who have so generously supported them during the last year.

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Bank Clearings.—The bank clearings for the week ending to-day (five business days) total, $1,779,226, as compared with $1,865,335 in the corresponding week of 1917.

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Motor Stolen.—While standing in front of a local theatre last night between half-past eight and ten o'clock an automobile belonging to Alfred Harvey, of 923 Esquimalt Road, was stolen.

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Given Three Months. — Pleading guilty to a charge of desertion from the Canadian Expeditionary Forces, E. M. Blanchard appeared in the Police Court this morning. It was alleged that he had deserted at the beginning of last February and had been arrested in La Grande, Oregon. He was sentenced to three months in prison by the Magistrate.

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Offices Closed For Holiday.—The offices of the Victoria Patriotic Aid Society were closed yesterday and today.

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Navy League Raffle.—The Navy League raffle for which the prizes are on view at Arthur Coles's office on Broad Street, promises to raise a large sum for the widows and orphans of sailors. Mr. Coles reports that 500 tickets have already been sold. The prizes have been much admired, among them being a splendid naval picture, two tea trays, one forming a frame for an excellent piece of fancy work done by a young lady sympathizer and the other tray includes some tasteful pieces of china. An elaborately worked bead bag, a pair of skates and many other articles well worth possessing are offered.

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SECOND "FLU" WAVE NOW A POSSIBILITY

City of Revelstoke Suggests the Replacement of Inhibitory Ban

That a second wave of Spanish influenza is making its appearance in some parts of British Columbia is evidenced by a telegram received at the offices of the Provincial Board of Health at the Parliament Buildings this morning from Revelstoke. Mayor McKinnon says in his message that the Medical Health Officer of the Municipality has advised the replacement of the inhibitory ban on all forms of public assembly.

While the official Order-in-Council will be witheld until a fuller report reaches the Provincial Board in the case of Revelstoke, Dr. Young anticipates that, following the Christmas festivities and the unavoidable crowding of stores, adverse reports may be expected from a number of other more settled points.

Answers are now coming in to the Department in reply to a circular letter sent out by the Secretary of the Provincial Board to the medical profession throughout the Province. From the course taken Dr. Young expects to be able to compile a complete return of the actual number of cases of Spanish influenza which have occurred in British Columbia, and the percentage of fatalities per population, as well as to obtain all possible suggestions for the better handling of any such similar situation that may arise.

So serious is the attitude of the medical profession throughout the United States towards the possibility of a second wave, that at the annual meeting of the Medical Health Officers of North America, held on Tuesday of last week, it was decided to confine the organization's deliberations entirely to the discussion of the question and to an endeavor to discover some more effective means to combat such a melancholy prospect.

As soon as Dr. Young is enabled to give British Columbia's views on the question, culled from the reports now coming in, he will seek the fruits of the United States conference for the benefit of this Province.

COMPANIES REGISTERED

Several Important Concerns Incorporated During the Holiday Season.

During the week ending at noon today certificates of incorporation have been issued by the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies in respect of the undernoted concerns, official notification of which will be made in this day's issue of The British Columbia Gazette:

Rattenbury Lands, Limited, private concern, authorized capital, $10,000; registered office of the company, Victoria.

Lambton Creamery Company, Limited, incorporated in the Province of Ontario, is now licensed to do business in British Columbia; authorized capital, $50,000; head office of the company, Vancouver.

International Diamond Drill Contracting Company, incorporated in the State of Washington, is now registered to do business in British Columbia, authorized capital, $50,000; head office of the company, Vancouver.

Provincial Lumber Company, Limited, private, authorized capital, $25,000; registered office of the company, Vancouver.

Prince Rupert Dry-Dock and Engineering Company, Limited, private, authorized capital, $500,000; registered office of the company, Prince Rupert.

Slocan Reduction Company, Limited (non-personal liability), authorized capital, $250,000, registered office of the company, Nelson.

Whist Drive.—At a Christmas whist drive held by the Men's Club at St. Mark's Hall, with a fair number of players in attendance, the first prize of a turkey was won by Mr. Scarfe and the second prize of a chicken by Mr. Devison. B. Vallance was awarded the booby prize. Refreshments were served during the evening.

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Store Robbed.—According to reports handed to the police yesterday, the store of Loo Gun, at 25 Herald Street, was broken into recently and a number of articles were stolen.

SIDELIGHT ON THE HUN.

An ex-subject of the Kaiser says that the German is servile and lacks courage for open revolt. "But, he makes a fist in his pocket against his oppressor," adds that writer, using an expression that is new to us.

BODY OF MRS. HERBERT DAVIES RECOVERED

MR. AND MRS. HERBERT DAVIES

The body of Mrs. Herbert Davies, wife of Herbert Davies, purser of the Yukon river steamer Dawson, has been identified and brought to Juneau, according to telegraphic dispatches reaching this city. The body was recovered from the wreck of the Princess Sophia by S. Jacobson, an Alaskan diver and wrecker.

Jacobson was at work near the Sophia wreck, the weather being calm, and decided to go down and make an examination. He followed the forward mast down to the front observation room and found the body hanging out of the observation window; another body, of a man, was also found, but a sudden change in the weather prevented its recovery. The body of the woman found is short and stout, wearing a wrist watch and pince-nez eyeglasses. The description was wired to Capt. Bell, of the Northwest Mounted Police at Whitehorse, who believes it to be Mrs. Davies.

Relatives in this city who have received advices on the subject state that the description given tallies exactly with that of Mrs. Davies, except for the number of the wrist watch. However, they are confident of the identification, and have asatisfactory theory to account for the number of the watch.

Mrs. Davies was lost with her husband when the Sophia went down off the Vanderbilt Reef on October 25. She is survived by both her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. W. Ramsdale, of Hill Street; a brother and two sisters, officers in the Salvation Army, one sister at home and a brother in France.

Her husband was a son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Davies, of this city.

The body will leave Juneau for the South about January 5.

REACHES HOME IN TIME FOR YULETIDE

Lieut. Harry D. McDiarmid, R. A. F., Had Interesting Time in Italy

Lieut. Harry D. McDiarmid, R. A. F., son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. McDiarmid, 1318 Hampshire Road, returned to the city yesterday morning just in time to spend the Christmas festivities at home with his people. The young officer, who is only twenty, has been granted three months' leave of absence, and is due to report back to his unit on March 1.

Lieut. McDiarmid left here as a driver in the 15th Ammunition Column in May, 1916, and transferred to the air forces, when he arrived in the Old Country. After completing his training he was sent to Italy, reaching there in December, 1917, when he was attached to the 66th Squadron.

After a year's service, during which he met with some lively adventures, he was granted leave shortly after the armistice was signed. He stated that the Royal Air Force is still carrying on at war strength, keeping constant patrols over the frontier lines and there is no diminution in the work, "except the fighting."

Another son, Neil McDiarmid, served in the Royal Naval Air Force and returned to the city some time ago. He gave up his law studies to enter the service and will leave at the end of this month to continue his course in the Ontario Law School at Osgoode Hall, Toronto.

FIREMEN PRESENT CHIEF WITH TOKEN OF ESTEEM

As a token of their esteem, the officers and men of the Victoria Fire Department yesterday presented their Chief, Vernon W. Stewart, with a beautiful gold badge of office.

The Chief, in expressing his thanks, pointed to the necessity of strict discipline in such an organization as the Department. This discipline, he pointed out, was to the advantage of the men themselves as well as to the efficiency of the fire fighting forces.

MAJOR THORN NAMED FOR ARMY POSITION

Officer Who Made Six Attempts to Escape From Germany Returns

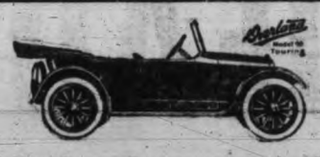
MAJOR J. C. THORN.

Major J. C. Thorn, who after six attempts to escape from German prison camps, was eventually repatriated by way of Holland, has been attached to the 11th Canadian Garrison Regiment. The Major, who was in Victoria recently, has returned from a lecture tour in California. He was taken prisoner at the second battle of Ypres in 1915, and using his ingenuity to invent methods of escaping from his captors, among other ways tried to shake the mud of Germany off his feet as a widow. He was captured when dressed in widow's weeds and became known among the officers in charge of the prison camps as "The Widow Thorn." The clothes were made by himself during months of confinement with such material as the officer could get together. At other times he attempted to escape in a laundry basket and under a load of straw in a wheelbarrow.

AFTER LONG DEPRESSION.

Heck—Have you any idea what you're talking about?

Peck—I don't believe I have. You see my wife is away and I'm just sorter letting my tongue run loose, so to speak.



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The Navy Yard canteen, as a token of appreciation of the care bestwood upn members and ex-members of the naval forces by the Army and Navy Veterans of Canada, Victoria units, especially with regard to the steps taken by that organization to secure the increased clothing allowance for discharged men of the senior service, has presented to the Veterans a handsome gift of furnishings for the new club quarters in the Pemberton Building.

The gift includes two three-quarter billiard tables with accessories complete, eighty-eight chairs, nine round tables, about a dozen framed pictures, a very fine mounted stag's head and a pair of hrns, a silver flower stand and pair of horns, a silver flower stand and smaller articles. This very generous donation has gone so far towards furnishing the new quarters that practically all that is now needed to complete the furnishing of the club is a supply of rugs and easy chairs, as well as furnishings for the secretary's office. Donations of either of these articles will be very gratefully received by the organization.

NO LUCK.

The unlucky one was telling his troubles to a sympathetic friend.

"No leave, no letters, no blinking flighty, no luck at all!"

"Never mind; you'll soon be dead."

"Yes," said the unlucky one, "and if I was dead now, and on my way to Heaven, I'll bet I'd be brought down by anti-aircraft!"

LETTERS

Letters addressed to the Editor and intended for publication must be short, and legibly written. The longer an article the shorter the chance of insertion. All communications must bear the name and address of the writer, but not for publication unless the owner wishes. The publication or rejection of articles is a matter entirely in the discretion of the Editor. No responsibility is assumed by the paper for MSS. submitted to the Editor.

WHY NOT RETURNED MEN?

To the Editor.—As a returned soldier I wish, through your paper, to make a strong protest against the action of the City Council in appointing Deputy Returning Officers for the coming Municipal Election without giving the returned soldiers a chance for the positions, but, according to Mr. Northcott, we could have the lower paid jobs of scrutineers.

I think the returned men proved, at the last Liberty Loan Campaign, they were capable of filling any public positions without having to accept the smaller paid jobs.

In conclusion, I would say here is a good opportunity for the Labor Council to show that they are behind the returned men by sending a strong delegation to the Mayor and Council asking them to cancel the appointments and elect returned men to their places.

E. J. YOUNGS.

McFLYNN EXPLAINS.

"Joe," said Mr. Murphy to McFlynn, "the paper says there's a superfluity in the labor market. Now, phwat in the name av Saint Pathrick is a superfluity?"

"A superfluity," said Joe, musingly, "is a kind of too much thot could be done without."

"Is thot it now?" said Mr. Murphy, a fine inflexion of sarcasm in his tones. "Sure, your meaning's as clear as mud itself. Can't you make it a bit plainer for an old pat?"

"I don't know as I can," said Mr. McFlynn. "But stay," he added, as a brilliant suggestion entered his mind; "a superfluity, me bhoy, is a good dale the same thing as a feller's puttin' on a necktie when he wears a full beard."—Tit-Bits.

MUTT AND JEFF

Jeff Figures if They'd Do That to a General, They'd Almost Kill a Private

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HELP WANTED—MAL.

DIGGINISMS—"Opinions vary as to the face value of a girl whose face is her fortune." The Diggon Printing Co., 706 Yates Street. d26-8

COOPER'S BOMBAY CHUTNEY IS JOHNNY ON THE SPOT

BOYS, as carriers, wanted. Apply Times Circulation Dept. 8

TONIFOAM keeps your scalp at its best, cures dandruff and falling hair. 50c. and $1.00, druggists and barbers. 8

WANTED—Auto mechanic to work on Ford cars. Apply Victoria Auto Livery, 737 Broughton. d25-8

SHIPYARD LABORERS, RIGGERS AND FASTENERS, Local 38A6, I. L. A. Members are hereby notified that the next regular meeting will be held Friday, December 27, 8 p. m. Applicants will please attend for initiation, otherwise they will forfeit their fee. Executive Committee will meet Monday evening, 8 o'clock. d24-8

WANTED—Milk deliverer. Apply 1111 Fort Street. d28-8

WANTED—Experienced runner to operate shot core drill. Apply 233 Pemberton Block. d27-8

MAN WANTED, for farm and deliver milk. Apply George Rogers, Glanford Avenue. Phone 942R2. d24-8

WANTED — Thoroughly experienced salesman for dress goods department. Apply Gordon Drysdale, Ltd. d30-8

WANTED—Furnace man, part time; returned soldier preferred. Dunsmuir Rooms, Fort Street. d24-8

BOY WANTED, with wheel. Apply 2605 Douglas. d28-8

BOY WANTED as apprentice for wholesale stationery business; good opportunity for right boy. Apply Box 1136, Times. d24-8

WANTED—Delivery man, must be able to drive Ford car. Standard Steam Laundry, 841 View. d28-8

ADVERTISERS—Save your money by first applying to the Secretary, Returned Soldiers' Employment Committee for any help you may require. Hundreds of men are returning to B. C. every month and require immediate employment upon discharge. 104 Union Bank Bldg. Phone 3640. E. L. Howard, Secy. d31-8

TEAMSTERS AND TRUCK DRIVERS, Local 365, will meet first and third Monday, K. of P. Hall, 8 o'clock. Initiation fee will be raised to $3 January 1. j5-8

COURSE FOR BOILERMAKERS now ready. International Correspondence Schools, 1222 Douglas Street.

HELP WANTED—FEMALE

WANTED—Assistant matron, Girls' School, Alert Bay. Apply Miss Turner, Richardson Street. d24-9

CAPABLE WOMAN, as general help; sleep in; good wages. Phone 5873L. d28-9

WANTED—Help for light house work, one child nine years, good home. Phone 1093L. d26-9

WANTED—At once, nursemaid. 532 Linden Ave. Phone 6457. d31-9

WANTED—Lady would give home to elderly lady for care of children in mother's absence. Box 1150, Times. 9

WANTED—Junior cashier, with previous experience. Apply Gordon Drysdale, Ltd. d30-9

WOMAN OR GIRL, for light house work. Phone 1859R. Mrs. Stewart, 719 Cook Street. d26-9

AGENTS

AGENTS—Men or women, can make $15 a day taking orders for complete, authentic History of World War. One made $24 first day. Canadian edition for Canadian homes. Enormous demand. Liberal commission. Outfit free. Winston Co., Toronto. 44

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AGENTS

HISTORY OF THE WORLD WAR, by Professor March. "Canada's Part in the War," by celebrated Canadian Colonel Nasmith. Mammoth book; three hundred illustrations; great money maker; sample book free. Bradley-Garretson, Brantford, Ont. j9-44

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE

GARDENER, English, experienced all branches, holding diploma, desires position. J. E. Shaw, Lacombe, Alberta. j6-10

OLD COUNTRY ESTATE FACTOR, practical all round man, handy with tools, not afraid of work, wishes employment in any capacity. Since coming to Canada has engaged in building, real estate and published weekly newspaper. Box 5896, Times. d28-10

WANTED—CARPENTER WORK BY day or job. Ask for price. Box 1089 Times. j14-47

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

CHEMAINUS FIREWOOD

FERRIS, SOLE AGENT

We have now on hand a large quantity of Dry Wood and will deliver in any quantity at short notice.

Owing to big demand, we advise you to order in advance.

PHONE 3469.

PRICES OF MILLWOOD.

Bark, per cord	$5.50
Short cut, per cord	$4.50
Kindling, per cord	$5.00

Prices subject to distance of haul.

CAMERON LUMBER CO., LTD., Phones 771 and 5000. 12

SINGING CANARIES, from Roller stock. An ideal Christmas gift. From $5 up. Fawcett's Drug Store, Douglas Street and King's Road. 12

CHRISTMAS TREES, 25c. each. The Economy Store, 736 Pandora Ave. d21-12

ANY SIZE CHRISTMAS TREE, 50c.; delivered at your house. Phone 5019L. d24-12

FAWCETT'S BEEF, IRON AND WINE—Nutritious and stimulating. $1.00, at Fawcett's. Phone 630.

WE HAVE a big selection of steel ranges for sale at bargain prices. The Island Exchange, 739 Fort St. d26tf-12

APPLES FOR CHRISTMAS—Best varieties for eating and cooking. Come and select from the grower. J. W. Webb, "Broomlea," Carey Road (end of Douglas Street). d26-12

SPECIAL VALUE in ladies' waists, handkerchiefs and toys, at Grimason's Dry Goods Store, 1844 Oak Bay Avenue. Open evenings. d26-12

FOR SALE—Man's beautifully marked coon coat, size 40, for $65, which is less than half value. Suite E, 1054 Pandora Avenue. d24-12

BOTTLES, BOTTLES, BOTTLES—The Victoria Bottle Exchange has bottles of all descriptions for sale, sterilized or unsterilized. 1141 North Park Street. Phone 5796. 12

VICTORIA WEST FURNITURE STORE buys, sells and exchanges good household furniture. 414 Skinner Street. Phone 1678R. d24-12

COATES TRANSFER CO., 747 FORT ST. PHONE 1763. 12

ADD DOLLARS TO YOUR PURSE

and longevity to your instrument by embracing the result of four generations of piano making experience, viz.:

CRESSWELL'S PIANO TUNING SERVICE.

A valuable piano retains its value through the valuable craftsmanship of Cresswell.

843 YATES. PHONE 4141.

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FURS re-modelled and cleaned; skins made up. Mrs. M. Lenzie, Room 1, Brown Block, Broad Street. 12

WE ARE AGENTS for carbon back and carbon leaf counter check books. Get our prices. The Quality Press, phone 4778. 12

CITY MART, 736 Fort St. Phone 1433. We have some rare bargains in good pieces of furniture. Drop in and see for yourself.

SEE OUR WINDOW FOR CHRISTMAS DISPLAY.

Every Bird a "Singer." Every "Singer" a Bird.

SEWING MACHINE EXCHANGE, 1318 Government St. Phone 6103.

We Have the Latest in Singer Machines.

Run your machine by motor. Machines and motors sold on easy terms.

The Birds in the window are for sale.

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS (Continued.)

GENUINE SEVILLE ORANGE MARMALADE, "VICTORIA BRAND."

CARPETS for sale at bargain prices, ranging from $10 to $250. Apply the Island Exchange, 739 Fort Street.

STATIONERY, china, toys, hardware and notions. 253 Cook St. T. J. Adeney. Phone 3456. 13

IF YOU HAVE ANY FURNITURE you wish to dispose of Phone 3408. The Island Exchange, 739 Fort Street, will send a representative and offer fair price for same. n27tf-12

FOR SALE—45-foot launch, 25 h. p. heavy duty engine; 30-foot fish boat, 6 h. p., 4-cycle engine; good sailing catboat, 5 h. p., 4-cycle engine. Causeway Boathouse. Phone 3445.

WE BUY AND SELL ANYTHING FROM A TEACUP TO A PIANO AT AUCTION PRICES. PRIVATE SALE SATURDAYS. HOUSEHOLD NECESSITIES, 747 FORT STREET. PHONE 1765. 13

TIP-TOP PRICES PAID for all classes of furniture. Select Auction Rooms, 726 Fort Street. Phone 2272. 13

SOUTHALL, for stoves and ranges. 532 Fort Street. Coils made and connected; exchanges made. Phone 4239.

WINDOWS, doors, interior finish, rough or dressed lumber, shingles, etc. City or country orders receive careful attention. E. W. Whittington Lumber Co., Ltd., Bridge and Hillside. 13

MALLEABLE and steel ranges, $1 per week. Phone 4689. 2901 Government St.

NEW RUBBER ROLLERS fitted to your old wringer will do the work as good as a new machine. Price, Locksmith, 637 Fort St. 12

BERRIED HOLLY for sale, 25c. lb. 2034 Chaucer Street, Oak Bay. d24-12

EXCHANGE

WANTED—Good bungalow, in part exchange for large Fairfield lot, low taxes; would assume small mortgage. Apply Box 5876, Times. d28-42

JAMES BAY—Corner lot and equity in modern five-room house and lot for acreage. Owner, 703 Times. d21-42

BOOK EXCHANGE, 718 Fort St. Phone 1787. Any book exchanged. 43

HOUSEKEEPING ROOMS

SYLVESTER APARTMENTS — Double and single suites; also a few rooms for lodgers. 715 Yates Street. Phone 56330. a13tf-41

COMFORTABLE housekeeping rooms, adults only. 942 Pandora. Phone 4364L. d26-41

TO RENT—Furnished housekeeping rooms, flats, cabins; reasonable rate. Call 1036 Hillside. 41

BUSINESS CHANCES

LEEMING BROTHERS, LIMITED, Real Estate, Business Opportunities, Insurance. 1218 Government Street. Telephone 748.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES.

SAANICH—Close to Marigold Station, on the B. C. E. Ry., and school. Splendid little grocery business and chicken farm. The premises, which were built in 1914, comprise: Light front store, large living room with open fireplace, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bath, hot and cold water, garage with concrete floor, large barn, 4 chicken houses and extensive wired in runs, good garden. The property is all nicely fenced and is in first-class condition. The grocery business, without delivery, runs at over $3,000 per annum, and could be considerably increased by a progressive business man. Six hundred chickens were raised last year and there is plenty of room for doubling this output. PRICE for the whole property, except stock, which can be taken at valuation, $2,750.

FERNWOOD—Grocery business, in a splendid location in this district, close to car, doing about $17,500 per annum, without delivery. There is a good front store and back storeroom, kitchen and scullery, hot and cold water, bedroom, toilet; rented at $20 per month. PRICE, including first-class stock and fittings, $2,500.

If you have a BUSINESS for sale, list it with us.

HOTELS

THE WESTHOLME with the BIG, BRIGHT LOBBY. Popular Prices.

PERSONAL

THE SAFE WAY TO SEND MONEY by mail is by Dominion Express Money Order.

CUT THIS OUT FOR LUCK—Send birthdate and 10c. for wonderful horoscope of your entire life. Prof. Raphael, 94 Grand Central Sta., New York.

MADAME CEERA has closed her tent at the Gorge and located at 820 Craigflower Road for the winter. Phone 3360. j25-35

LIVESTOCK

BELGIAN HARES CHEAP—$3.00 PAIR. Phone 5633L. 1219 Pembroke St. d18-28

CANARIES—2243 Shakespeare. Tel. 4627Y. j6-28

FOR SALE—One horse, good puller and not afraid of anything. Box 1224, Times. d28-28

FOUND—Strayed to my place on fifth, young heifer. Owner please call and take away. J. M. Stewart, Royal Oak, R. M. D. 1. d27-28

LIVESTOCK (Continued.)

COOPER'S BOMBAY CHUTNEY, 35c. AT ALL GROCERS.

WANTED—Any quantity chickens or ducks, cash paid at your house. Phone 5019L, or write 615 Elliott Street, City.

UNFURNISHED SUITES

UNFURNISHED, 4-ROOM FLAT, Fairfield, ground floor. Apply 1107 McKenzie Street, or 1138 Richardson. Phone 2664R. d24-17

FURNISHED SUITES

NICE FURNISHED FLAT, water and light, $8 week. Box 1130, Times. d24-14

THE KENSINGTON, 919½ Pandora. Front suite for rent. Phone 5605. d24-14

ROOM AND BOARD

ROOM AND BOARD—Home cooking; reasonable terms. 942 Pandora. Phone 4364L. n19tf-34

FURNISHED ROOMS

WELL FURNISHED ROOMS, furnace, gas, every convenience. Phone 6138R. d24-15

BRUNSWICK HOTEL—50c. night up, $2 weekly up. First-class location. Few housekeeping rooms. Yates and Douglas. Phone 317.

SUITES WANTED

WANTED—Furnished flat, for 2 months at least, 2 bedrooms, 2 living room, bathroom and kitchen; steam heat and gas stove essential. Box 1193, Times. d26-22

WANTED—Furnished flat or partly furnished house, careful tenants. Box 1148, Times. d24-22

UNFURNISHED HOUSES

TO RENT, UNFURNISHED.

TO RENT—Five roomed cottage, Cloverdale, only $4.

WANTED—Listings of furnished houses, 5 and 6 rooms.

BURDICK BROS. & BRETT, Phones 132-133. 623 Fort St. d24-18

TO LET—House, 7 rooms, Cedar Hill Road, near Mt. Tolmie car, at $12. A. H. Harman, 704 Fort Street. d26-18

HOUSES FOR RENT.

DAVID STREET—Five rooms, clean, tidy, rent $10, includes water.

GOVERNMENT STREET—Easy walking distance from town, seven rooms, very comfortable, $25.

HEISTERMAN, FORMAN & CO., 608 View Street. Phone 55. d24-18

VIEW STREET—Between Douglas and Blanshard, no car fares, 8 rooms, 4 bedrooms, electric light, hot and cold water, modern plumbing, thoroughly renovated throughout and in excellent condition; rent $25, includes $1 for water.

HEISTERMAN, FORMAN & CO., 608 View Street. Phone 55. d28-18

FOR RENT—Houses, furnished and unfurnished. Lloyd-Young & Russell, 1012 Broad Street. Phone 4532. 13

FURNISHED HOUSES

FURNISHED HOUSE TO LET.

FERN STREET—Seven rooms, furnished, $30; immediate possession.

HEISTERMAN, FORMAN & CO., 608 View Street. Phone 55. d24-18

MACHINERY

FOR SALE—American hoist and derrick engine, 8½x10 cylinders, double drum, 130 lbs. pressure, A1 condition, complete with swinging gear; no agents, principals only. P. O. Box 216. Phone 1559L, Victoria. d26-30

MISCELLANEOUS

MEN WANTED to prove how easy it is to cure dandruff and falling hair with Tonifoam. 50c. and $1, druggists and barbers. 51

FOR SALE—Mahogany Victrola, cost $91 new, and 21 double disc records, for $55. 1532 Fowl Bay Road. d26-51

REWARD—A REWARD OF FIVE DOLLARS will be paid for information leading to the conviction of the parties who damaged the fence of the undersigned. J. T. McIlmoyl, 1814 Quadra St. 14-51

SEE MY APPEAL to buy Household Necessities, from a teacup to a piano, under Miscellaneous. Crawford Coates, 747 Fort Street. n15tf-51

C. P. COX, PIANO TUNER—GRADUATE Halifax School for the Blind. 159 South Turner St. Phone 1212L.

SKATES hollow ground by latest electric machines, 25c. pair. Price, 637 Fort. n26tf-51

ZETLAND LUNCH AND TEA ROOMS, 647 Fort Street, UPSTAIRS, entrance next to Terry's. Catering to private parties a specialty. Open from 12 to 7. Canada Food Board License No. 10-1511. 51

AUTOMOBILES

A "MOVING" OPPORTUNITY—30x3½ plain tires, $12. These casings are well-known makes, and are not old stock. They cannot be purchased from the factory to-day at this price. Plimley's New Location, Broughton St., at Gordon, on and after November 15. 31

TEA KETTLE AUTO STAND—New McLaughlin Six for hire, $2.50 per hour. H. Court. Phone 4563. 31

Special Rates for Island Tours. Seven-Passenger CADILLAC CARS For Hire. TOM BAKER, Returned Soldier, Post Office Auto Stand. PHONE 211.

AUTOMOBILES (Continued.)

"VICTORIA BRAND" IS A GUARANTEE OF PURITY.

CAMERON MOTOR CO., Belsize Garage, Cook Street. Auto machinist and cylinder grinding. Tel. 4633.

CARS stay bright when Simonized. Simonized surface requires no washing. Get your car done. Island Auto Simonizing Station, 832-36 Yates. Phone 3815. W. H. Hughes, agent for Simonz Kleener and Polish.

BRAND NEW FORD TRUCK WITH large capacity body. Phone 6005L. d14tf-51

1918 CHEVROLET, privately owned, in good shape, 2 spare tires and tubes, just overhauled and new battery installed, $800. Box 1163, Times. d26-31

FOR SALE—Cheap, several second-hand automobile truck and passenger bodies. Plimley's Garage. n4tf-31

TO OUR MANY FRIENDS AND PATRONS

WISHING YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

CARTIER BROS., 724 JOHNSON STREET.

Call and see us after the holidays about that auto.

MUST BE SOLD—Owner leaving town. Five-passenger Epperson, in good running order, tires are all good, one spare with rim, paint is in good shape, $350. Call and see this car.

METROPOLITAN GARAGE, 721 View Street. Phone 2977.

FOR SALE—1917 Chevrolet, 5-passenger; Overland 1 ton truck; 1 ton chain drive truck, $150; Ford, 1918, almost new, 5-passenger; also several other real bargains. Cameron, 521 Superior Street, behind Parliament Buildings. 31

MOTOR SERVICE STATION, 720 View. E. V. Williams. Night Phone 2378Y. Tel. 228.

AUTO BARGAINS.

I have several snaps in good used cars. WANTED.

I will pay cash for your car. Bring it to me.

TIRES, TIRES, TIRES.

I can save you money on tires. Come to me. Second-hand tires and tubes from $3 each.

MASTERS, 1052 Fort Street. Phone 5569.

SHELL GARAGE, LTD., 835 View Street. Expert repairs, all auto work guaranteed. National rubber tirefiller ends all tire trouble. Tel. 2402.

BEGG MOTOR CO., LTD., 937 View and 936 Fort. Cadillac Agency. R. A. Playfair, Mgr. Tel. 2058. Distributors for Chevrolet, Dodge Brothers, Chalmers, Hudson and Cadillac Motor Cars.

LOST

FOR SALE—Almost new Columbia gramophone, reasonable price. 521 Walter Avenue. d24-37

LOST—Christmas Eve, lady's brown purse containing about $17. Reward. Phone 5818R. d28-37

LOST—Left in washroom on Princess Charlotte, on Sunday trip from Vancouver, a plain gold ring. Reward. Phone 1896. d27-37

WILL BOY who picked up parcel of slippers in Weiler's Toy Department, Monday afternoon, please return same to Weiler's as he is known. d24-37

LOST—Friday morning, December 20, on Government Street, between the Post Office and Wilkerson's Jewellery Store, a gold signet ring, engraved. Finder will be rewarded on returning same to W. H. Wilkerson, jeweller, 1113 Government Street. d23-37

LOST—A collie dog, red and white, short tail, answers name of Laddie. Phone 126. d26-37

LOST—A roll of bills amounting to about $65. Reward offered. Phone 775R. d24-37

FOUND

FOUND—Adrift in Cadboro Bay, a dory, 14 feet long. If not claimed in three days will be sold to pay expenses. Address Nelson, Cadboro Bay. d24-36

WANTED—LOANS

MORTGAGE WANTED—$650 at 8 per cent. on 5 acres and small house, near in. P. O. Box 340. d26-48

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS

FRANCIS, 819 Yates St. (opposite Dominion Theatre), will purchase good furniture in any quantity. Valuations made. Phone 1153. 13

WE BUY AND SELL ANYTHING FROM A TEACUP TO A PIANO AT AUCTION PRICES. PRIVATE SALE SATURDAYS. HOUSEHOLD NECESSITIES, 747 FORT STREET. PHONE 1765. 13

WANTED—Fir cordwood limit, near city or loading station; state stumpage expected. P. O. Box 943. d24-13

BOILED APPLE CIDER IS THE BEST substitute for brandy for Christmas plum puddings and mince meat. Horse Radish fresh ground. At all Grocers. Canada Food Board License 14-55. The Western Pickling Works, Ltd., 851 Fisgard Street. Phone 582 13

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS (Continued.)

"DELICIOUS, APPETIZING," VICTORIA BRAND MARMALADE.

ODDY'S Second-hand Furniture Store, 1817 Douglas. Open to buy good furniture, carpets, etc.

COATES TRANSFER CO., 747 FORT ST. PHONE 1763. 13

WANTED—Second-hand lumber, 1x12, or shiplap. Box 1173, Times Office. d24-13

WANTED—Any class of old metals or junk; good prices paid for bottles, sacks, auto tires, carpenters' tools, etc. Ring up 1229, City Junk Co., B. Aaronson, 565 Johnson Street. House phone 5644L. 13

WANTED—An old cook stove for heating water. Phone 613L. d30-13

MOTOR CYCLES AND CYCLES

The Old Reliable

CLEVELAND BICYCLE

can still be secured at

HARRIS & SMITH, 1120 Broad Street. Phone 3171

DELTA ELECTRIC LAMPS, $3.00. At MOTORCYCLE, BICYCLE & SUPPLY STORE, 854 Yates Street.

SECOND-HAND BICYCLES from $10. Island Vulcanizing & Cycle Works, 853 Yates Street. 32

CYCLISTS—Bring your repairs to the "Hub" Cycle Store. Satisfaction guaranteed. 1319 Douglas Street. Prop. W. W. Harker.

MOTORCYCLE for sale. Elton Bayne, Alberni. j26-32

Genuine English Roller Chains, $3.00
Saddles $4.00 and $4.25
Cycle Tires Vulcanized
Repair work our specialty
Skates Hollow Ground
ISLAND VULCANIZING & CYCLE WORKS, 853 Yates Street. Phone 6277. 32

A DELTA ELECTRIC CYCLE LAMP is neat, convenient and classy; price, complete, $3.50. Workmen's vacuum lunch kits, $3.25 and $4.25. Bargains in second-hand cycles. Get your new bicycle before the rise. Plimley & Ritchie, Limited, 611 View Street. 13

AUTO LIVERY

CARS WITHOUT DRIVERS.

Our cars are of the latest model, in the best of running order, clean, and with tires that will cause you no trouble on the road.

Special Rates to Business Men. Drivers Supplied if Desired.

VICTORIA AUTO LIVERY, 737 Broughton St. Phone 3053.

POULTRY AND EGGS

SAVE BEEF—Keep poultry and rabbits. The Poultry Journal, 521 Yates Street. 10c. per copy. jy16tf-29

WANTED TO RENT—HOUSES

WANTED—Furnished house, from 5 to 7 rooms, for responsible tenant (no children). L. U. Conyers & Co., 650 View Street. d28-23

WANTED—To rent, 3 or 4-room, furnished apartment or housekeeping rooms, in a private home. Box 1219, Times. d28-23

FIVE-ROOM, furnished bungalow wanted, responsible party. Box 5642, Times. d28-23

WANTED TO BUY—HOUSES

WILL BUY immediately, bungalow, about $2,500, north side and outside city preferred. Answer Box 1159, Times. d23-54

COMING EVENTS

ST. JOHN'S, Quadra Street. Services for Christmas Day: 8 a. m., holy communion; 11 a. m., morning prayer and holy communion. Special Christmas music. Visitors to the city are cordially invited. Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick, rector.

GIRLS' CORNER CLUB—The next meeting will be on Thursday, Jan. 9. d28-50

THE LADIES' AUXILIARY of Comrades of Great War will hold a dance to-night in new Club Rooms, from 8.30 to 11. Admission 25c. d29-50

ST. MARY'S, Burns Street, Oak Bay. At 8 a. m., holy communion; 9.30 a. m., holy communion; 11 a. m., matins and holy communion. Rev. G. H. Andrews, M. A., rector.

QUEEN OF ISLAND LODGE, I. O. B. A., No. 209, are giving an entertainment and exhibition of work by the pupils of the Provincial School for Blind, on Friday, Dec. 27, at 8 o'clock, at St. John's Hall, Herald Street. Admission 25c. The proceeds are in aid of the school library. d27-50

THE W. A. TO G. W. V. A.—There will be no business meeting until after the New Year. d24-50

DANCE at the Hippodrome Christmas Eve and Christmas night, commencing at 9 o'clock. Good orchestra, good floor. Admission 50c. and 25c. d24-50

PIANOS scientifically tuned with exactitude to ideal temperament. Home, specialist. Phone 5703X. j18-50

FOR INVITATION for the Bon A Dee Club, Phone 532L. Mrs. E. Harris, Secy.-Treas. j1-50

OVER THE TOP WITH TONIFOAM—Cures dandruff, falling hair and all scalp troubles. 50c. and $1, druggists and barbers. 50

Peace proclaimed means the boys' return. The best reception must be given by getting that piano beautifully tuned by A. CRESSWELL (Certificated with honors), PIANO TUNER, 843 Beach Drive. Phone 4141. One-third of a century's experience with leading English factories. 50

COMING EVENTS. (Continued.)

EVERYBODY'S EATING IT "COOPER'S BOMBAY CHUTNEY."

ALL MEMBERS of all City Chapters of the Daughters of the Empire who are willing to assist are asked to be at the Willows Camp on Wednesday at 11.45 to help with the Christmas dinner to the men in camp. d24-51

DANCE will be held in A. O. F. Hall on Christmas night, December 25, by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society, at 8.30 o'clock. Admission: Ladies, refreshments; gents, 50c. d24-51

FOR SALE—LOTS.

WATERFRONT PROPERTY—For sale on Pender Island, the last desirable piece of waterfront at a bargain, 60 acres, some improvements, good beach, sheltered bay, close to post office, stores, etc.; must be sold at once. Write S. P. Corbett, Pender Island, B.C. d27-4

HOUSES FOR SALE

MUST SELL—One of the best semi-business corners, Victoria West, with building, store below, rooms above; refused $9,500; now $2,500, easy terms. Owner, Box 1213, Times. d26-2

FULLY MODERN HOME, HOT WATER heat, 12 rooms, with one acre or more overlooking city and Gorge. This is worth seeing. For price, see owner A. Johns, 352 Gorge Rd. Phone 1469. d14tf-25

KING'S ROAD—½ BLOCK FROM Douglas Street, 7 rooms, former price $5,000. Will sell for $3,500. $5 per month, with interest. See owner, A. Johns, 352 Gorge Road. Phone 1469. d14tf-25

HOUSES FOR SALE.

OFF OAK BAY AVENUE—Six rooms, modern; price only $2,400; terms, $600 cash, balance arranged.

CEDAR HILL ROAD—Five rooms, modern, cement basement, large lot, $2,000.

GLADSTONE AVENUE—Eight rooms, cement basement, 2 fireplaces; $3,000.

GRAHAME STREET—Five rooms, modern bungalow, furnace, garage, etc., $3,000.

FAIRFIELD—Cornwall Street, 4 rooms, fully modern, completely furnished, price $3,750.

OAK BAY—Amphion Street, 5 rooms, modern, fully furnished; price $4,000.

OAK BAY—Island Road, 8 rooms, modern, garage, large lot; $4,000.

GORGE ROAD—Eight rooms, modern, furnace, garage, half-acre in garden; $5,500.

CRAIGFLOWER ROAD — Seven-room, modern house, and about one acre in garden, fruit trees, small fruits; price $7,000.

FAIRFIELD—Sutlej Street, 7 rooms, modern, furnace, good lot; $5,000.

VANCOUVER STREET—Near Beacon Hill Park, 8 rooms, modern, furnace, etc.; $6,000.

FAIRFIELD—Oliphant Avenue, 7 rooms, extra large lot, furnace, etc.; price $6,500.

FAIRFIELD—Leonard Street, 6 rooms, fully modern and well built; price $4,000.

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9. Amending the definition of "Council" in Section 1 of the "Victoria City Relief Act, 1918 (No. 2)," by striking out all the words after the word "Victoria" in the second line thereof.

10. Re-enacting Section 27 of the said "Victoria City Relief Act, 1918 (No. 2)," so as to validate all street improvement and expropriation by-laws passed before April 23, 1918, notwithstanding the omission to publish the same and file the same in the Land Registry Office; and similarly validating all by-laws passed after April 23, 1918, except appropriation by-laws.

11. Re-enacting Section 29 of the said "Victoria City Relief Act, 1918 (No. 2)" so as to validate local improvement assessments heretofore made for works completed in part, notwithstanding lack of jurisdiction in the Council by reason of the omission to follow the provisions of Section 10 of Chapter 45 of the Statutes of 1916 or otherwise.

12. Validating, retroactively and prospectively, the acts of "acting" officers of the Corporation, during the absence, disability or incapacity of the proper officers, or during any vacancy in office.

13. Authorising the transfer to the local improvement sinking fund account of various balances on hand, with accrued interest, which have not been expended for the respective purposes for which they were raised or borrowed, and are not required for such purposes, and which were so raised or borrowed under the following by-laws or statute, namely:

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Dallas Road Foreshore By-law, 1910	1,709.94
Cemetery Protection By-law, 1911	274.11
Electric Lighting By-law, 1911	245.00
Police Headquarters and Jail By-law (1913)	1.73
Ross Bay Cemetery Expenditure By-law, 1914	3.17

14. Authorizing the use of all or any of the City's Elk Lake Reservoir and Watershed property as a public park, pleasure ground or recreation ground.

R. W. HANNINGTON, City Solicitor.

November 27, 1918.

ADDITIONAL NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE BILL

NOTICE is hereby given that the Corporation of the City of Victoria, in addition to the matters mentioned in its previous notices of application for a private bill (to be known as "Victoria City Act, 1919"), dated November 4 and November 27, 1918, will apply to the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia at its next session, for the enactment, by the said proposed Act, of the following further powers, remedies, rights, items and matters, namely:

15. Amending Subsection (1) of Section 23 of the "Victoria Relief Act, 1918 (No. 2)," by expressly providing that the jurisdiction of the Local Improvement Commissioners shall include and extend to any work, project, improvement or undertaking authorized, initiated or intended as a work of local improvement (including the expropriation of land), and notwithstanding any error, omission or defect in the proceedings in that behalf.

16. Amending Paragraph (g) of Subsection (1) of Section 23 of the said Act, by inserting the words "or specially assessed," after the word "charged" in the first line thereof.

17. Amending Section 24 of the said Act by providing that the report, direction or proceedings of the Local Improvement Commissioners shall not be quashed, restrained or brought into question except on the ground of mala fides.

18. Amending Section 25 of the said Act by inserting a paragraph in Subsection (1) expressly providing for the making of a special assessment, pursuant to the report of the Local Improvement Commissioners, in cases where the special assessment has not been made or has been quashed or set aside.

19. Amending Sub-paragraph (iv.) of paragraph (f) of Subsection (1) of said Section 25 of the said Act, by providing that owners who have not expressly elected otherwise shall be deemed to have elected to continue to pay the unreduced annual instalments as originally assessed, extending over the number of years fixed therefor in the first instance.

20. Authorizing the Council to permit, regulate or prohibit the erection and use, on streets or sidewalks, of gasoline tanks, pumps, air and water pipes, clocks, posts, porches, signs and other fixtures; to charge and collect fees or rentals therefor; to require indemnity from owners against loss or damage occasioned thereby, and making such fees, rentals and indemnity a first charge on the real property in connection with which such fixtures are placed or used.

21. Providing for an appeal to the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeal from the award of Arbitrators relating to compensation or damages for real property expropriated, entered upon, taken, used or injuriously affected by the Corporation.

22. Authorizing the Council by by-law to name or define paved streets or portions thereof which may not be traversed or used by heavy motor trucks or vehicles for the carriage of goods or commodities; to regulate, limit or prohibit the use of such streets or portions thereof by such trucks or vehicles; to prescribe, regulate or limit the weight of such trucks or vehicles and of their loads which may be used, driven or carried thereon, and the rate of speed at which they may be driven thereon; to license such trucks or vehicles, whether or not used or plying for hire, and to charge license fees therefor according to the weight or capacity of such trucks or vehicles.

23. Conferring on the Corporation the right to levy and collect a tax in respect of persons attending theatrical performances, moving picture shows and other public entertainments or exhibition.

Dated December 4, 1918.
R. W. HANNINGTON, City Solicitor.

"LAND REGISTRY ACT."

Section 24.

In the Matter of Part Forty Feet (40 ft.) by Two Hundred and Fifty Feet (250 ft.) of Lot Eighteen (18), Block Two (2), Viewfield Farm, Esquimalt District, Map 195.

PROOF having been filed in my office of the loss of the Certificate of Title No. 5556-F to the above mentioned lands in the name of GEORGE THOMAS WARREN, and bearing date the 26th day of June, 1912, I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE of my intention, at the expiration of one calendar month from the first publication hereof, to issue to the said George Thomas Warren, a fresh Certificate of Title in lieu of such lost Certificate.

ANY PERSON having any information with reference to such lost Certificate is requested to communicate with the undersigned.

Dated at the Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., this 6th day of December, 1918.

FRANK J. STACPOOLE, Registrar-General of Titles.

No. 302. No. of Application 21013F.

LAND REGISTRY ACT.

Notice Under Section 36.

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been made to register JOHN HAMMOND, as the owner in Fee-simple, under a Tax Sale Deed from the Collector of the Corporation of the District of Saanich to John Hammond, bearing date the 25th day of July, A.D. 1918, in pursuance of a Tax Sale held by said Collector on or about the 15th day of July, 1917, all and singular certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying, and being in the District of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as Lots 9 and 10, in Block 6, of Section 35, Map 1372.

You and those claiming through or under you, and all persons claiming any interest in the said land by descent whose title is not registered under the provisions of the "Land Registry Act" are required to contest the claim of the tax purchaser within thirty days of the service of this notice upon you. Otherwise you and each of you will be for ever estopped and debarred from setting up any claim to or in respect of the said land, and I shall register the said John Hammond as owner in fee.

Dated at the Land Registry Office, at the City of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 7th day of August, A. D. 1918.

J. C. GWYNN, Registrar-General of Titles.

To Henry Sidney Marsh, Cork City, Ireland, Registered and Assessed Owner.

I direct service of this Notice to be made by publication thereof in four issues, one in each consecutive week, of a daily newspaper circulating in Victoria.

F. J. STACPOOLE, Registrar-General of Titles.

ALD. R. J. PORTER WILL RUN FOR MAYOR

Will Probably Be Opposed by Mayor Todd and Others

The first gun has been fired in the Mayoralty campaign by Alderman Robert J. Porter, who although he has publicly announced that he will be a candidate for Mayor at the polls on January 16, has not as yet prepared definitely the 1919 programme on the merits of which he will appeal to the citizens for support.

While it is an easy matter to offer conjectures as to possible candidates for mayor and aldermen it is impossible to forecast anything specific yet.

ALDERMAN R. J. PORTER

Mayor Todd still remains silent on the question of his possible candidature, but it is generally conceded that he will oppose all aspirants for the position of chief magistrate of the city.

Aldermen Harvey and Sangster have definitely stated their intention to run for aldermen for 1919, and the remainder of the present council members are expected in the field. It is expected that from some unexpected quarters candidates may be forthcoming whos names will not be announced until the nomination papers are filed next month.

STRING QUARTETTE COMING TO CITY

Famous Zoellner Quartette to Give Recital on January 13

George Dyke, who was instrumental in bringing to Victoria that eminent artist, Leopold Godowski, has announced the booking of the famous Zoellner Quartette, to appear in this city on Monday, January 13. The recital is to be held in the ballroom at the Empress Hotel. This concert will furnish an unusual opportunity for

THE ZOELLNER QUARTETTE

music lovers to hear a string quartette of much renown, these artists usually appearing only at the big musical centres and leaving the touring of the smaller cities to soloists.

These musicians are from Brussels, whence they were driven by the vicissitudes of war, and to their big European reputation they have added laurels acquired in all the leading cities of America. They are now making a tour of Canada and the western United States.

Baby Competition. — Parents of children born yesterday in Greater Victoria are asked to notify The Times business department before 9 o'clock on Saturday morning. The reports should state the exact time of birth, and should be over the signature of the attending physician. Prizes will be awarded by a number of local merchants to the parents of the child who entered this world at the earliest hour on Christmas Day.

TENDERS FOR CLOTHING

Sealed tenders will be received up to Monday, the 30th instant, at 4 p. m., for the making and supplying of thirty-six (36) pairs of trousers and one (1) overcoat for the Victoria City Police. Samples to be seen at the Police Department. All to be made as per specifications, which will be supplied by the Purchasing Agent.

The lowest, or any other, tender not necessarily accepted.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT, Purchasing Agent.

City Hall, Victoria, B. C., December 24, 1918.

CHEERING TROOPS LEAVE FOR SIBERIA

Large Party Leaves Willows Cantonment for Service in Asia

The second large draft within seven days of men of the Canadian Siberian Expeditionary Force, under Brigadier-General Bickford, C.M.G., left Victoria to-day on their way to Vladivostok. With their equipment neatly packed, and here and there a man carrying a rifle, the men stepped out briskly to the different bands obtained for the occasion and with songs and cheers that have marked the departure of the many other battalions which have left Victoria in the last four years. The men will leave Victoria on the Blue Funnel steamer Protesilaus, which will carry 2,200 men for duty in Siberia. To-day's draft was probably the largest detachment of troops that have left Victoria in one day since the outbreak of war, and included almost all of the men who have been in training at the big camp at the Willows. The cantonment is now practically deserted of troops after a few months during which it has presented an appearance similar to the days when it was used as the training quarters of the district for the battalions preparing to proceed to France.

Hearty Greetings.

Although the streets of the city were rather deserted through many of the stores being closed to observe the holiday season, there were many on hand to give the boys embarking on the great adventure hearty greetings, and the men themselves appeared to be in good spirits. They left in three or four different sections and cheered and sang as they marched. Though the majority having been gathered from different parts of Canada for their training here there were not the numerous affectionate farewells as has been the custom in the past, but many of the men had friends on hand to bid them goodbye and good luck. Among the party are a good percentage embarking overseas for the second time, as indicated by their blue chevrons and wound stripes and most of the officers wore badges for service in the European theatre of war.

Workmen Head Parade.

Military and civilian bands played the soldiers off. One party was headed by the Foundation Company band, the workmen responding to an hurry up call so that the men should not be forced to leave Victoria without the enspiriting martial music that is synonomous to the embarkation of troops, and a feature which would have been sadly missed by the soldiers. The bandsmen had no time to change from working clothes and the Victoria people in the streets at the time witnessed the unusual spectacle of bandsmen in overalls heading a military party on their way to the Outer Wharf. The band of H. M. S. Lancaster also headed one of the drafts, while the remaining band of the Canadian Siberian Expeditionary Force headed another draft. The men were singing lustily as they marched, using the old-time songs which have gained a military significance through their popularity during the war, and also a number of parodies including one on "Marching through Georgia with Marching to Siberia in place of Georgia, and references to licking the Bolsheviks. Here and there a man carried a flag to add color to the sombre khaki stream, and one of the local men in the parade carried a young boy astride his pack. One of the men had an improvized steel helmit made of a cooking tin which he wore on his march through the streets.

Was Held For Christmas.

The Protesilaus was in dock ready for the troops to sail before Christmas, but arrangements were made for the men to spend the day on shore with the usual Christmas festivities, and an entertainment was also provided for them at the Royal Victoria last night by the Red Cross Stock Company who presented "All-of-a-Sudden Peggy to a full house. The Protesilaus will carry out little cargo as her space is nearly all taken up with bunks for the troops. One thousand tons would easily cover the amount of cargo aboard the vessel.

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

BORN.

KING—At 1348 Fort Street, on Dec. 25, 1918, to Capt. and Mrs. P. A. King, a daughter.

SCROGGIE—On Dec. 23, to Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Scroggie, 1256 Acton St., a son.

DIED.

ADAMSON—On the 24th inst., at 1732 Second Street, Jane Adamson, aged 87 years, beloved wife of F. J. Adamson. She is survived by her husband and two daughters residing here and parents in England.

The funeral will take place on Friday at 2.30 from the Thomson Funeral Chapel. Interment at Ross Bay Cemetery.

IRELAND—On December 26, at New Westminster, Aldyth Mary, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ireland, of New Westminster, formerly of Victoria.

POTTER—On Dec. 22, at East Sooke, Ronald Arthur Potter, a native of Sussex, England, aged 30 years; and on Dec. 24, Winnifred, the beloved wife of the above Ronald Arthur Potter, aged 24 years.

Funeral arrangements with the B. C. Funeral Co., 734 Broughton Street.

SMITH—On the 25th instant, at the family residence, 1028 Pendergast Street, Victoria, B. C., Rose Emeline, the beloved wife of Harry Walter Smith, aged 39 years.

The funeral is arranged to take place at 11 a. m. Saturday, Dec. 28, from the Chapel of the B. C. Funeral Co., 734 Broughton Street.
(Vancouver, B. C., papers please copy).

BEYNON—On December 22, at Jubilee Hospital, Richard Arthur Beynon, aged 23 years, son of the late Capt. and Mrs. W. Beynon, of 1929 Chambers Street. He leaves to mourn his loss, besides his mother, four brothers, and relatives in England.

The funeral will take place on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Sands Funeral Chapel with full military honors. Interment at Ross Bay Cemetery.

POTTER—On December 22, 1918, at East Sooke, B. C., Ronald Arthur Potter, a native of Sussex, England, aged 30 years.

Funeral arrangements with the B. C. Funeral Co. Interment at Sooke.

CARD OF THANKS.

Mrs. Chapman and family wish to thank their friends for letters of sympathy and floral tributes during their recent bereavement.

ANSWERS TO WANT ADS

294, 531, 613, 630, 700, 795, 808, 859, 870, 896, 917, 920, 924, 1037, 1047, 1058, 1078, 1080, 1120, 1121, 1124, 1135, 1159, 1180, 1407, 1591, 2591, 4185, 5168, 5226, 5589, 5725, 5749, 5804, 5827.

BOOTS, SHOES and Gents' Furnishings

FOR SALE BY TENDER

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to noon Tuesday, December 31, 1918, for the stock and fixtures of S. Glazon, 581 Johnson Street, Victoria, B.C.

Stock consists of men's boots, rubbers, shirts, overalls, suits, etc., valued at $2,370.

Fixtures include show cases, cash register, etc., valued at $200.

Inventory may be seen at my office at any time. Stock and Inventory can be seen at the store on Monday, December 30, 1918, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Tenders to read at a rate on the dollar as per Inventory.

JAMES ROY, Trustee.
222 Pacific Bldg. Vancouver, B.C.

Re Municipal Voters' List for the Year 1918

The attention of those interested is hereby drawn to Section 18 of the Municipal Elections Act, which provided that no application to the Police Magistrate, or a Judge, for an order to add to the Voters' List the name of any person alleged to have been improperly omitted therefrom shall be heard, or order made, after the 31st day of December, 1918.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
City Clerk.

City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B. C., December 26, 1918.

FOR THE MAYORALTY

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I beg to announce that I am a candidate for the mayoralty at the forthcoming election.

My views on matters of public interest will be placed before the public at an early date.

Yours truly,
ROBT. J. PORTER.

Victoria, Dec. 24, 1918.

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IMPRESSIVE FUNERAL

Many Sorrowing Friends Attend Obsequies of the Late Davida Raymur.

The remains of the late Miss Davida Raymur were laid to rest in Ross Bay Cemetery on Tuesday afternoon, a large assembly of sorrowing friends paying a last tribute to the memory of one who had endeared herself to a wide community by her lovable disposition. The cortege left the family residence, 1316 Stanley Avenue, at 2.15 p.m., proceeding to Christ Church Cathedral, where an impressive service was conducted by Very Rev. Dean Quainton, assisted by Col. the Rev. G. H. Andrews. Two hymns were sung, "Thy Way, Not Mine, O Lord" and "On the Resurrection Morn." The casket was hidden beneath a wealth of very beautiful floral tributes. Many city officials, representative of the military and naval forces, and of the hospitals joined in the sad procession to Ross Bay where interment was made in the family plot. The following friends of the family acted as honorary bearers: Capt. J. R. McIlree, Capt. Carew Martin, Lieut. D. B. Taylor, Lieut. Victor Sutherlaand, Sub-Lieut. Neil McDiarmid, Chaytor Payne, R. C. N. V. R.; Newton Burdick and J. Corning, while the active pall-bearers were the following returned men, nursed by the late Miss Raymur while she was a nursing-sister at Esquimalt Convalescent Hospital: Corpl. Emsley, Quartermaster-Sergt. A. Anderson, Sergt.-Major J. Taylor, Sergt. A. J. Hourston, Corpl. W. Montgomery, Corpl. J. Lambert, Corpl. G. Wilson and Pte. W. Furner.

WELCOMED WILSON AT PORT OF DOVER TO-DAY; DUKE OF CONNAUGHT

OBITUARY RECORD

Mrs. Rose Emeline Smith, wife of Harry Walter Smith, of 1023 Pendergast Street, passed away yesterday morning at the age of thirty-nine years. The late Mrs. Smith was a native of London, England, and had been in Canada for the past ten years, of which the last four had been spent in Victoria. She is survived by her husband, two sons and a daughter, and four sisters, Mrs. Appleyard, of Oak Bay; Mrs. Mayhall, of Port Angeles; Mrs. Johnson, of South America, and Mrs. Norman in England. The funeral will be held from the B. C. Funeral Chapel on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. Interment will be made beside the grave of her brother, the late Capt. Ager.

Mrs. Winnifred Potter, whose husband the late Rowland A. Potter drowned himself in a fit of delirium on Monday last, passed away on Tuesday afternoon at the Isolation Hospital, a victim of influenza-pneumonia. The late Mrs. Potter was twenty-four years of age and was born in East Sooke, where she has lived most of her life and where her marriage took place less than a year ago. Interment will be made at Metchosin, the late husband and wife being laid together in the same grave.

The remains of Graham Ferguson, the three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Ferguson, were laid at rest in Ross Bay cemetery on Tuesday afternoon. Service was held at the B. C. Funeral Chapel at 3 o'clock, Rev. Robert Connell officiating. Several friends of the family were present and the little casket was covered with floral tributes. The father of the little child is at the present time with the overseas forces.

At New Westminster this morning the death occurred of Aldyth May Ireland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ireland of New Westminster, formerly of Victoria. Relatives surviving the late Miss Ireland include an aunt, Mrs. M. E. Walker, of Sidney, and an uncle, George F. Waites, of Victoria.

SAVED THE DOLLAR.

A southern lady went to see her colored cook, who was sick in bed. She gave the cook's small son, Rastus, a dollar to buy chicken for his mother. As the lady, in leaving, closed the door of the cabin, the cook was heard to say, "Gimme dat dollah, chile, an' go git dat chicken in de natchul way."—Everybody's Magazine.

CHARGE OF THEFT AGAINST FINDLAY

Shortage of Seventy-Four Cases of Whisky Basis of Charge

STATEMENT MADE BY ATTORNEY-GENERAL

Vancouver, Dec. 26.—Walter Chester Findlay, erstwhile Prohibition Commissioner of the Province of British Columbia, is in Vancouver to-day, and will be one of the first witnesses called when the inquiry into illicit liquor selling opens before Mr. Justice Clement at the court house here to-morrow morning.

An announcement to this effect was made by Attorney-General Farris this morning. After a week's effort directing the dragnet which brought Findlay within its toils once more and after ensuring that Findlay would be brought back under circumstances which will result in his telling all he knows to the Royal Commission, Mr. Farris made the announcement with some suppressed satisfaction.

Theft Charge.

Findlay is at the present moment in the custody of the Provincial Police, facing a charge in connection with a shortage of seventy-four cases of whisky from the Government vendor's store in this city. On this charge he is to get no immunity. He must face the charge as best he can. To his friends this morning he expressed the belief that he can explain the shortage all right.

As to whether Findlay has other charges to face depends entirely upon the freedom and frankness with which he gives his testimony before the Royal Commission. This, it is said, is the only agreement made between the Attorney-General's Department and Findlay in securing his voluntary return to face the theft charge without fighting extradition.

It is understood that Findlay has intimated his intention to tell all he knows in regard to the illegal importation, distribution and sale of liquor.

Broken in Spirit.

Findlay is said to be pretty badly broken in spirit and in pocket as a result of the happenings of the past month. The $2,300 which he had in his possession at the time of his arrest on the boundary at Blaine has been spent in the fine imposed on him here, his lawyer's fee, traveling expenses and temporary provision for his family, and although he might have obtained larger immunity by fighting extradition and returning only under protest, he decided to return without trouble and face all his troubles at once.

The fact that officers of the Attorney-General's Department had been in touch with Findlay since Monday until his return to Vancouver last evening was made known by Mr. Farris this morning. Telling the story of the pursuit and of the exact conditions under which Findlay has returned to testify before the Royal Commission, Mr. Farris said:

"I had instructed that Findlay's movements be watched from the time he had paid his fine in the Vancouver police court, while an investigation was being made to see if there was not some other charge that we could lay against him. While he was in Seattle he was under surveillance, but he fled at receiving news from Vancouver that there was a demand by the prohibitionists for his arrest and that the liquor men had issued a warrant against him.

Shortage.

"In the meantime our auditors who had been put to work on the books of the Vancouver liquor depot reported that a consignment of 200 cases of liquor which Findlay had taken out of bond at Victoria and shipped to Vancouver had not arrived intact. There was a shortage in the stock of seventy-four cases, and so far as the records show, only 139 of the 200 cases which left Victoria ever were received at the Vancouver store. Upon this report I laid a charge of theft against Mr. Findlay."

Following Findlay's flight from Seattle, Mr. Farris said he detailed a provincial secret service officer last Friday to go in search of Findlay and see if he would consent to return and face the Royal Commission.

"At the time Findlay was prosecuted on the former occasion," Mr. Farris continued, "we had no information to suggest that anything was wrong in his department and I instructed our officer not to disclose to Findlay that we had since laid the charge of theft."

In Portland.

On Monday of this week, there being no news of Findlay, Mr. Farris notified the police of the coast cities of the warrant for Findlay's arrest, requesting them to arrest him on sight, but that evening word came from the provincial officer that he had located the former Prohibition Commissioner in the city of Portland. He agreed to make a voluntary return as far as the city of Seattle in order to meet an agent of the Government and discuss matters.

"On Tuesday," said Mr. Farris, "I sent W. D. Carter, K. C., Inspector of Legal Offices, to meet Findlay and induce him to return to meet the charge we had laid against him, and to testify before the Royal Commission. At midnight on Tuesday Mr. Carter called me on the telephone and said that Findlay wished to speak to me in person.

"Findlay," said Mr. Farris, "told me that he was quite willing to come back and face the theft charge by itself, but declared that he was apprehensive that if he came back to meet that charge that he would be at once proceeded against by both the liquor men and the prohibitionists."

Protection.

"I told him," said the Attorney-General, "that if he would come back voluntarily without putting us to the trouble and delay of extradition proceedings, I would see that he was given the same protection that he would receive if he was brought back under the extradition treaty."

"The law of extradition," explained Mr. Farris, "provides that if a Government surrenders a person on a particular charge—as for instance the charge of theft in this case—the person so surrendered can not be proceeded against on any other charge unless he is first returned again to the care of the country from which he was taken."

"I made the stipulation," said Mr. Farris, "that if Findlay would come back voluntarily under that understanding, in addition to facing the trial for theft, he must give evidence before the Royal Commission. And I made it clear to him that if he did not testify before the Royal Commission and answer all questions there put to him, that I would give him no protection from any penalties which the Commissioner might see fit to inflict upon him for refusing to answer.

Held by Police.

"Findlay agreed to return on these conditions and left Seattle yesterday for Vancouver by boat, arriving here last evening at seven in care of an official. On his arrival he was handed over to the care of the Provincial Police, who now hold him in safe keeping," stated Mr. Farris.

What Findlay's story may be Mr. Farris declined to discuss.

"All I am anxious for is to see that he tells the whole truth without reservation of any kind whatsoever, and without regard to who may be involved. If he does that he can help the Royal Commission very considerably to find out who has been behind the organized violation of the prohibition law," stated Mr. Farris, who journeyed over from Victoria last evening to consult with counsel in regard to the inquiry, which will open here to-morrow.

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JAMES W. HACKETT DIES IN VANCOUVER

Pioneer Sawmill Owner and Business Man Succumbed Christmas Day

Vancouver, Dec. 26.—James W. Hackett, a pioneer sawmill owner and business man, died at his home here yesterday in his seventy-second year. Deceased came to this city from Winnipeg in April, 1888, engaging with David Robertson in the building and contracting business. He was born in Truro, N. S.

At the time of his death, in addition to being vice-president of the Robertson and Hackett Sawmills, Ltd., he was president of the B. C. Lumber & Shingle Manufacturers, Ltd., an organization with which he had been very closely associated since its inception, as well as director of the Vancouver Exhibition Association and vice-president of the Metropolitan Building Company. He was a past president of the Terminal City Club, having taken an active interest in its welfare for the past six years. He was a member of the City Council of 1897, and a member of the Board of License Commissioners during 1912. He had been an active member of the Board of Trade for the past twenty years.

He is survived by the widow, one son, George Robertson Hackett, manager of the sawmill business, and one daughter, Miss Elsie Hackett.

ENTERTAINED SOLDIERS

MRS. A. F. GRIFFITHS

Regent of the Municipal Chapter, I. O. D. E. The chapter yesterday entertained 1,800 men of the Siberian Expeditionary Force to a Christmas dinner.

JAPANESE MINISTER ANTICIPATES LEAGUE

Tokio, Dec. 25.—Belief that a League of Nations will be achieved was expressed by Baron Takahashi, the Japanese Minister of Finance, at a dinner given by the Banker's Club in honor of the Cabinet.

The Minister called attention to the activities of American financiers to prepare for the post-war period, "thus conforming to their splendid national development," and urged Japanese business and financial men to work out a plan of co-operation which would advance Japan's interests.

WILSON MADE BRIEF SPEECH AT PALACE

Told Wounded Soldiers Before Buckingham Palace How He Honors Them

London, Dec. 26.—The procession in which President Wilson traversed the streets of London to Buckingham Palace to-day was a short one. There were intervals of 100 feet between the units. First, came a detachment of police and then a general and his staff, with the troops of the Household Cavalry four abreast in khaki and with drawn swords. Next came the King's carriage, in which President Wilson sat at the right of King George. The Duke of Connaught sat opposite them. Another troop of cavalry followed and then came the carriage with Queen Mary, with Mrs. Wilson on the right and Princess Mary facing them. Then came a third cavalry troop and after it the three remaining carriages of the procession.

The gleaming coats of the outriders scattered along the procession gave an effective dash of color. The King was dressed in the service uniform of a British Field Marshal. He remained covered throughout the journey, permitting President Wilson to accept the demonstration. Mrs. Wilson carried a large bouquet of flowers and wore black.

Queen Mary was dressed in a black costume with a light colored hat. As soon as the party entered Buckingham Palace, the crowd outside, including several hundred soldiers in the Palace yard, began cheering.

There came shouts of "We want Wilson," "We want Wilson." In response the President and Mrs. Wilson, together with King George and Queen Mary, soon appeared on the second floor balcony. The crowd, especially the wounded men, began calling for a speech.

President Wilson laughed and then addressed himself especially to the wounded soldiers.

"I do not want to make a speech," said the President, "but I do want to tell you how much I honor you men who have been wounded in this fight for freedom and to thank you all for the welcome you have so generously given me. I hope each and every one of you will come through safely to enjoy the fruits of the victory for which you so courageously fought."

ANNUAL REPORT OF U. S. TRADE COMMISSION

Washington, Dec. 26. — Legislation to extend the powers of the Federal Trade Commission so as to bring all individuals and partnerships operating in interstate commerce within its supervision is recommended in the Commissioner's annual report.

The Commission also again urges enactment of legislation previously submitted to Congress, designed to prevent the practice of commercial bribery.

During the year, the Commission says, its work was chiefly devoted to assisting other departments and special war agencies of the Government in matters concerned with the prosecution of the war. The report reviews many special activities and cost investigations prosecuted, an inquiry into control of enemy corporations, through which assistance was rendered to the Alien Property Custodian and the intelligence sections of the army and navy.

Investigations into the cost of production and control of foodstuffs which had previously been begun were continued and one of these culminated in reports on meat packing companies made public in a report to the President. Several other food investigations still are under way.

There were presented to the Commission during the year many applications for proceedings charging unfair competitive methods under the Clayton Act. The Commission disposed of 240 applications during the year and has pending 283 cases.

JAPAN'S POPULATION GROWING RAPIDLY

Tokio, Dec. 26.—Japan's population is increasing at the rate of 800,000 a year, according to official statistics. Until a few years ago the rate of increase was a little over half a million yearly.

The population on November 31, 1917, was estimated at 57,998,373. This did not include Korea, Formosa or Saghalien.

NORWEGIAN SUPPORT FOR PROPOSED LEAGUE

Christiania, Dec. 26. — Norwegian leaders in science, politics and business have formed a society for the purpose of enrolling Norway in the proopsed League of Nations built upon a democratic basis. Professor F. Nansen, the famous Arctic explorer and scientist, has been elected president of the society. In his introductory address, Professor Nansen said:

"The dream of a fraternity of nations has suddenly come within sight. It is the goal at which one of the world's greatest statesmen, President Woodrow Wilson, is aiming. The reason why the United States is now able to make this Utopian dream a reality is because the nation is young and healthy. The United States went into the war only to make future wars impossible. It will achieve that end."

RAILWAY PASSES IN NEW JERSEY

Trenton, N. J., Dec 26.—The Federal Railroad Administration has decided that the State law requiring railroads in New Jersey to furnish passes to certain officeholders is of no effect while Uncle Sam is operating the railroads. Thus, after January 1, 1919, certain New Jersty citizens will either pay fare, walk, stay at home or board in Trenton.

The Governor, State Senators, members of the House of Assembly, judges of the higher courts, certain state officers other than the executives have been entitled to these passes, as well as most of the legislative employees.

Each year the Legislature either added to or made an effort to enlarge the list.

The passes, it is said, were used throughout the year by many holders and were especially desirable to the South Jersey resident who spent his summer at the shore. Many of the officials now commute to Trenton on their passes.

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FINANCIAL NEWS

STOCK MARKET IS STILL LOWER

Persistent Selling in Railroad Group Weakens Market

(By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.)

New York, Dec. 26.—The market showed considerable more activity to-day, but quotations were still on the down side. The railroad group were under pressure, the stock of disappointed holders coming on the market freely. The coppers were being heavily sold when it was announced that Inspiration would pay the same dividend as last time. This came as a surprise after the cut by Anaconda, and caused some short covering in the coppers and imparted a certain amount of strength to the rest of the market which has been well liquidated and begins to show signs of resisting.

	High.	Low.	Last.
Allis-Chalmers	30½	30	30½
Am. Beet Sugar	62¾	60¾	61¾
Am. Sugar Rfg.	111	110	110¾
Am. Can Co., com.	46½	45⅝	46
Am. Car Fdy.	90	87⅞	89⅞
Am. Cotton Oil	39¾	38⅝	39⅝
Am. Locomotive	60¾	60⅛	60½
Am. Smelt. & Ref.	75⅝	74⅝	75⅝
Am. T. & Tel.	98⅝	97½	97½
Am. Wool, com.	50¼	50	50
Am. Steel Fdy.	83	83	83
Anaconda Mining	60⅞	59¾	60⅝
Agr. Chemical	98½	98½	98½
Atchison	90¼	90	90¼
Atlantic Gulf	108⅝	108	108½
Baldwin Loco.	73⅝	71¼	73
Baltimore & Ohio	52¾	52	52
Bethlehem Steel	61¼	60¼	61
Butte Sup. Mining	19⅛	19⅛	19⅛
Brooklyn Transit	26½	25⅝	26⅛
Canadian Pacific	156	155	156
Central Leather	56⅛	54¾	54⅞
Crucible Steel	56¾	56⅛	56¾
Chesapeake & Ohio	55½	54¾	55
Chic., Mil. & St. P.	40½	38½	39½
Chic., R. I. & Pac.	25¾	24⅞	25⅞
Colo. Fuel & Iron	38½	38½	38½
Cons. Gas	95	94	94
Chino Copper	33	31¼	31¾
Cal. Petroleum	20½	20½	20½
Chile Copper	18⅝	17⅝	17⅞
Corn Products	47⅛	46⅝	47⅞
Distillers Sec.	50½	49	49¾
Erie	17	16½	16⅝
Do., 1st pref.	23	27½	27⅝
Gen. Electric	145¼	142⅛	142½
Goodrich (B. F.)	54	53½	54
Gt. Nor. Ore	31⅞	31½	31⅞
Granby	79½	79	79½
Gt. Northern, pref.	94½	94	94¼
Hide & Lea., pref.	70	68½	69
Inspiration Cop.	41⅞	41½	44⅜
Int'l Nickel	32¼	31¼	31¾
Int'l Mer. Marine	26¼	25¾	25¾
Do., pref.	112¼	110¼	111½
Illinois Central	97	97	97
Kennecott Copper	33¼	32½	32½
Kan. City Southern	18¾	18⅛	18⅛
Lehigh Valley	54½	53¾	53¾
Lack. Steel	67⅞	67¼	67¼
Louisville & N.	118½	118½	118½
Maxwell Motors	26	26	26
Midvale Steel	43⅝	42¼	42¼
Mex. Petroleum	168½	166	167¼
Miami Copper	22¾	22⅜	22¾
Missouri Pacific	24⅝	24	24½
National Lead	65	65	65
N. Y., N. H. & Hart.	32	31	32
New York Central	74⅞	74	74
Norfolk & Western	106	105	105⅛
Northern Pacific	93¾	93	93
N. Y., Ont. & Western	20½	20⅛	20½
Nevada Cons. Copper	17¼	16⅝	16¾
N. Y. Air Brake	100	100	100
Pennsylvania R. R.	44⅞	44½	44¾
People's Gas	49½	49⅛	49½
Pressed Steel Car	63	62¼	63
Reading	79½	78½	78⅞
Ry. Steel Spring	73½	72½	73½
Ray Cons. Mining	20	19¼	19⅞
Republic Steel	74	73	73
Southern Pacific	99	98¼	98½
Southern Ry., com.	29⅝	28⅝	28½
Do., pref.	68	68	68
Studebaker Corpn.	50¼	48½	50¼
Sloss Sheffield	49	49	49
The Texas Company	187	186¼	186¼
Union Pacific	126¾	125½	125¾
Utah Copper	73	71½	72⅝
U. S. Ind. Alcohol	101⅝	100¼	101
U. S. Rubber	76½	75½	76¼
U. S. Steel, com.	94⅞	92½	93⅜
Do., pref.	113	112⅞	112⅞
Virginia Chem.	53⅛	53⅛	53⅛
Western Union	85½	85	85
Wisconsin Cent.	30	30	30
Wabash R. R. Co.	8⅜	8	8
Wabash R. R. "A"	33	31⅝	31¾
Willy's Overland	25	24½	25
Westinghouse Elec.	42⅞	42⅛	42½
Anglo-French	97½	97	97¾
Am. Linseed	46¼	44½	46⅛
Do., pref.	89⅞	88	89⅞
Am. Sum. Tob.	94½	94½	94½
Am. Int. Corp.	54⅝	53¾	54⅝
Tob. Prod.	81	80⅝	80½
United Cigar Stores	107⅞	106	107½
Lib. Loan	99.30	99.00	99.30
Lib. 1s	92.60	92.60	92.60
Gast. Williams	29¾	29	29¾

TO-DAY'S TRADING ON WINNIPEG MARKET

Winnipeg, Dec. 26.—Oats closed ½ cent higher for December and ½ cent higher for May. Barley closed ¼ cent higher for December and ¼ cent higher for May. Flax closed 4 cents higher for December and 4 cents higher for May.

Oats—	Open.	High.	Low.	Last.
Dec.	....	....	....	72½
May	77½	78	76¼	78
Barley—				
Dec.	....	....	....	92⅞
May	99	99⅞	98½	99⅞
Flax—				
Dec.	....	....	....	325
May	332	338	332	335

Cash prices: Oats—2 C. W., 73; 3 C. W., 69½; extra 1 feed, 70; 1 feed, 69; 2 feed, 64⅝.

Barley—3 C. W., 92⅞; 4 C. W., 87⅞; rejected, 76⅞; feed, 74⅞.

Flax—1 N. W. C., 326; 2 C. W., 332; 3 C. W., 300.

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CORN AT CHICAGO TURNED STRONG

(By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.)

Chicago, Dec. 26.—The market was lower in the first hour and the short interest pounded away until the market became very much oversold. The bulls took charge and at the end prices were advancing with strides. Oats looked weak until the drive in corn when they borrowed some strength.

Corn—	Open.	High.	Low.	Last.
Jan.	139⅝	142	139¼	142
Feb.	136	137⅞	134⅞	137⅞
March	135	136⅞	134	136⅞
May	135½	136½	133⅞	136½
Oats—				
Jan.	68⅜	68⅜	67½	68¼
Feb.	69⅛	69⅛	67⅝	68⅜
May	69	69¼	67⅜	69¼

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NEW YORK CURB MARKET.
(By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.)

	Bid.	Asked.
Canada Copper	2⅛	2¼
Howe Sound Mining	4	4⅜
Ray Hercules	3⅛	3⅛
Hecla Mining	5	5⅛
United Eastern	4½	4¾
Aetna Explosives	6	6¼
Chevrolet Motors	145	155
Curtiss Aeroplane	11	14
Submarine Boat	11	12
Wright-Martin Aero.	4	4⅜
Cosden Oil	6⅞	7
Elk Basin	5⅝	5⅞
Merritt Oil	23	24
Mid. West. Oil	129	130
Do., Refining	122½	123
Sapulpa Refining	6⅞	7⅛
Cons. Copper	6	6¼
Kerr Lake	5⅛	5⅜
Magma Copper	24	26
Nipissing Mines	8⅞	9⅛
Success	9	11
Davis Daly	4⅞	5
Northwest Oil	45	47

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NEW YORK BOND MARKET.
(By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.)

	Bid.	Asked.
Anglo-Fr. 5	97	97¼
U. K. 5½, 1919	99⅝	99⅞
U. K. 5½, sec. cnv.	101	101¼
U. K. 5½, 1921	98¼	98½
Am. For. Sec. 5	99¾	100
Fr. Govt. 5	150	160
Paris 6	99	99¼
Fr. Cities 6	101¼	101¾
Russ. Govt. 5½, 1921	60	63
Do., 1926	150	160
Dom. Can. 5, 1919	98¾	99
Dom. Can. 5, 1921	97¼	98
Dom. Can. 5, 1931	96¾	97½
Dom. Can. 5, 1926	96½	97¼
Argentine Govt. 6	98	98½
Chinese Rep. 6	96	99
Dom. Can. 5, 1937	95½	96½

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NEW YORK COTTON.
(By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.)

	Open.	High.	Low.	Last.
July	27.00	27.76	27.00	27.10
Oct.	24.95	25.35	24.70	24.70
Jan.	29.80	30.30	29.65	29.75
March	28.60	29.10	28.48	28.58
May	27.80	28.36	27.65	28.30

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1665 Pembroke Street, near Fort and Richmond. Formerly sold at $3,800 and since improved, 5 rooms downstairs, good attic, furnace installed, etc. Taxes low. Present price only $3,000

1130 Collinson Street, between Cook and Trutch Streets, lot 55x155, modern 8 roomed house, all modern electrical fixtures, piped for vacuum cleaner, hardwood floors, mantel, beam ceiling, wash trays, furnace, two toilets, etc. Price $5,750

1325 Minto Street, design similar to above. Price $4,500

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Under and by virtue of a Warrant of Execution, issued out of the County Court of Victoria, holden at Victoria, and to me directed, against the goods and chattels of Robert Brown, I have seized and taken possession of a quantity of augers, axes, hammers, snatch blocks, iron vise, peavies, mattocks, spreaders, anvil, bellows with attachment, boom chains, swamp hooks, grab hooks with cables, swifter chains, etc., and will offer the same for sale at public auction at Scott & Peden's store, Cobble Hill, on Friday next, December 27, 1918, at 2.30 p. m. Terms of sale, cash.

F. G. RICHARDS,
Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Victoria, Dec. 23, 1918.

ESTEVAN LIGHT ESCAPED INTACT

Earthquake Not Responsible for Superficial Cracks in Concrete

Beyond the fracture of a few glass prisms the big lighthouse at Estevan Point was not affected by the recent quake. Inspector W. H. Trowsdale, of the Marine Department, who happened to be in the vicinity at the time of the seismic disturbance, and who was instructed to inspect the structure, reports that the concrete tower suffered no damage. The cracks in the supporting pillars reported by Lightkeeper J. P. Jensen were merely superficial expansion cracks on the surface of the concrete which developed at an earlier date.

The manner in which the lighthouse tower resisted the schock which occurred on December 6, speaks well for the excellence of design and construction of the big structure. Despite the fact that mercury was shaken out of the basin in which the lamp floats, the light continued to revolve, and at no time has the aid been out of commission.

A further supply of mercury was shipped to the West Coast by the Marine Department, and the lamp is now reported to be in perfect trim.

Other lights on the coast affected by the quake were those at Lennard Island and Nootka. The Lennard Island light was temporarily put out, and at Nootka the ball bearings were shaken out of the revolving apparatus. These lights are in operation.

Welcome News.

Up to the time of the recent visit of the Dominion lighthouse tender Estevan the lightkeepers and their families at Cape St. James and Langara Island, at the extreme southerly and northerly points of the Queen Charlottee Islands, were unaware that the war had terminated. First news that the armistice had been arranged reached these isolated people when the Estevan touched there during the earlier part of the month.

SHIP BELIEVED LOST REPORTED

Brynhilda, Thought to Have Been Destroyed by Mine, at Algoa Bay

New York, Dec. 26.—"Arrived: December 20, ship Brynhilda, at Algoa Bay, South Africa."

This brief routine announcement in the cable ship news received here yesterday may prove to be the best Christmas gift possible to the wife and family of Captain H. J. Kinneally, master of the ship, who lives at Malden, Mass., and to the families of her crew of twenty-one men in that it is news of a ship presumed to have been lost with all on board through striking a submarine mine off the American coast late in September. The Brynhilda, with a full cargo and including a deckload of lumber, left here September 27 for South African ports. Two days later a passing steamship picked up a lifeboat, badly damaged as if by an explosion, to still fastened parts of the davits torn from the ship's side. The boat was identified as belonging to the Brynhilda and later on navy craft searching the scene for survivors found considerable quantities of floating lumber and wreckage which was also identified as coming from the same ship. Maritime records show no other vessel of the same name and the owners, the Cosmopolitan Shipping Company have cabled Algoa Bay for confirmation of the arrival of the vessel.

Safety Confirmed.

London, Dec. 26.—The safe arrival at Algoa Bay, an African port, of the American sailing ship Brynhilda, previously reported as lost, was confirmed by Lloyds to-day. As the Brynhilda carried wireless and no report was heard from her since September 27, she was given up as lost. This opinion was accepted by the underwriters to the extent that eighty per cent of the ship's insurance was paid.

WHEAT FROM AUSTRALIA.

With a full cargo of Australian wheat the barque Dartford touched at William Head this morning and proceeded in tow to Vancouver.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

Time of sunrise and sunset (Pacific standard time) at Victoria, B. C., for the month of December, 1918:

	Sunrise Hour	Sunrise Min.	Sunset Hour	Sunset Min.
Dec. 13	7	57	4	18
Dec. 14	7	58	4	18
Dec. 15	7	59	4	18
Dec. 16	7	59	4	18
Dec. 17	8	00	4	19
Dec. 18	8	01	4	19
Dec. 19	8	01	4	19
Dec. 20	8	02	4	20
Dec. 21	8	02	4	20
Dec. 22	8	03	4	21
Dec. 23	8	03	4	21
Dec. 24	8	04	4	22
Dec. 25	8	04	4	22
Dec. 26	8	05	4	23
Dec. 27	8	05	4	24
Dec. 28	8	05	4	25
Dec. 29	8	05	4	26
Dec. 30	8	05	4	27
Dec. 31	8	05	4	28

The Observatory, Gonzales Heights, Victoria, B. C.

WINTER SCHEDULE FOR G. T. P. BOATS

Temporary Weekly Service Will Become Effective on January 12

The winter schedule of the Grand Trunk Pacific Coast Steamship Company will become effective on January 12. Such is the advice received by Charles F. Earle, local ticket and passenger agent from Capt. C. H. Nicholson, manager of the company's steamship service at Vancouver.

Under the new schedule and pending the resumption of the semi-weekly service following the overhaul of the larger steamships of the fleet, the call at Seattle will be temporarily cancelled, Victoria being the last port of call on the completion of the voyage from Prince Rupert.

Inaugurating the winter schedule the steamship Prince George, Capt. D. Donald, will leave here at 10 a. m. on Sunday, January 12, arriving at Vancouver at 3.30 p. m. the same day. The steamer will then lay over at Vancouver until 8 p. m. on Monday, January 13, when she will leave for Prince Rupert and Anyox via Ocean Falls and Swanson Bay.

On the southbound voyage the Prince George will leave Prince Rupert at midnight on Thursday, arriving at Vancouver via Swanson Bay and Ocean Falls at 3 p. m. on Saturdays. Leaving the Mainland port at midnight on Saturdays, the steamer will arrive here at 7 a. m. on Sundays. It will be seen that the vessel will be given a full day's lay-over at Vancouver on the northbound voyage.

On the arrival of the steamship Prince Rupert, Capt. Duncan McKenzie, at Victoria on January 15, she will be withdrawn from service for annual overhaul. Upon the resumption of the Prince Rupert the Prince George will be withdrawn for drydocking and refit. The above schedule to the North will be maintained pending the return of the Prince George to the service, when the usual call at Seattle will be resumed.

Queen Charlotte Run.

Effective January 9 the steamship Prince John will inaugurate a fortnightly service between Prince Rupert and the Queen Charlotte Islands.

The Prince John will leave Prince Rupert at 10 p. m. on January 9 and 23, February 6 and 20 and March 6 and 20 for Masset, Port Clements, Buckley Bay, Skidegate, Queen Charlotte City, Cumstewa, Thurston Harbor, Pacofi, Atli Inlet, Lockport, Jedway and Ikeda. Calls at the usual Queen Charlotte ports not shown in the schedule will be made when business offers. The steamship Prince Albert will be operated without schedule in the general freighting business to the North.

ATTEMPT MAY BE MADE TO RAISE PRINCESS SOPHIA

According to a dispatch from Juneau, F. W. Lowle, agent for the Canadian Pacific Railway at Juneau, has received word from his company that the underwriters will endeavor to raise the wreck of the Princess Sophia in the spring.

It is believed the remainder of the bodies, approximately 150 in number, are still on the wrecked vessel.

WAR EDENSAW LEFT YESTERDAY ON MAIDEN TRIP

The wooden steamer War Edensaw, Capt. Cuttiford, got away from Ogden Point yesterday for the United Kingdom. She was built at the Poplar Island yard of the New Westminster Construction & Engineering Co.

Other vessels of the I. M. B. fleet now ready to leave port are the War Sumas, Capt. Simpson; War Atlin, Capt. Clark; and War Casco, Capt. Mann, all of which have signed their crews and are loaded with outward cargoes.

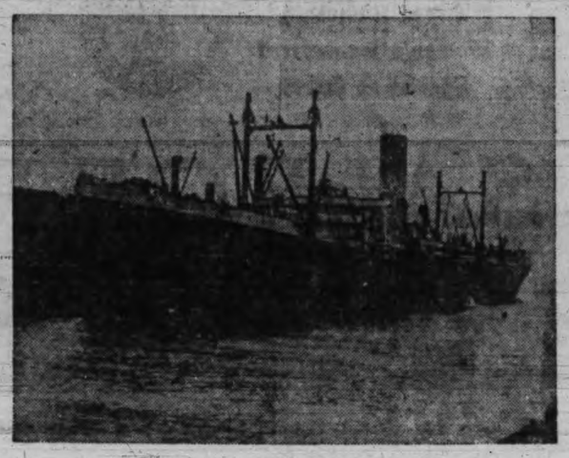
The War Chilkat, Capt. Grant, signed her officers on Christmas Eve.

Of the fleet of twenty-seven wooden steamers built on this coast to the order of the Imperial Munitions Board, only five now remain to be completed. The Chinese crews of the two vessels have yet to arrive from the Far East.

MAIL SERVICE TO INDIA IS PLANNED

Subject to a satisfactory agreement with the Dominion Government as to mail service, the Canadian Robert Dollar Company plans to establish a service between Vancouver and India. It is reported that the C. P. R. is favorable to the suggestion and is willing to co-operate with the Robert Dollar Company. The latter concern already has a number of steamers regularly plying in the trans-Pacific trade between Vancouver and the Orient.

TAKES OUT SIBERIAN FORCE



BLUE FUNNEL LINER PROTESILAUS

The Protesilaus, Capt. Reed, was at the Outer Docks to-day embarking the balance of the Canadian Expeditionary Force bound to Siberia.

MARINE ENGINE ORDER CONFIRMED

Hutchison Bros. & Co., Ltd., to Build Six Main Engines for Foundation Company

Confirmation of the announcement appearing in The Times of December 19 that Messrs. Hutchison Bros. & Co., Ltd., has been entrusted with a contract for the construction of main propelling engines by the Foundation Company, is given by Dan. C. Hutchison, general manager of the Bay Street marine engineering firm.

The contract for six main engines has been placed in the hands of the local firm with the assurance that further contracts will be awarded in the event of the present contract being completed and delivery given to the satisfaction of the Foundation Company.

The factory of Cousins Bros., on Garbally Road, has been taken over by Hutchison Bros. to be utilized as a pattern shop, and the firm has practically completed arrangements for the erection of a new foundry on Garbally Road.

The main engines to be built by Hutchison Bros. will be of the triple-expansion, direct-acting type, each to develop 550 horse-power. Work on the engines has already been put under way. The first engine is to be delivered in about three months, and it is expected that the entire contract will be completed in about six months.

The firm of Hutchison Bros. is enterprising and the men at the head of the concern are fully alive to the great possibilities of development in the marine engineering industry. From a small beginning the firm has developed into one of the most prominent of the metal-working concerns in the Province.

War contracts handled by the firm have included the manufacture of 18-pounder shells for the Imperial Munitions Board, the manufacture of cargo winches and other auxiliary equipment for I. M. B. vessels built on this coast and the outfitting of the wooden steamship War Skeena.

The latest contract for main engines involves about a quarter of a million dollars, and is the largest marine engine contract yet awarded to a Victoria firm.

CORINTHIAN MAY GO TO PIECES IN WESTERLY STORM

Halifax, Dec. 26.—Wrecking steamers returning to Yarmouth report the Corinthian, ashore on Brier Island, to be settling fast, and they predict that with the westerly gale now forecasted she will go to pieces and disappear.

Most of the cargo between decks has been salvaged, but that in the lower holds can not be recovered.

LEAVING FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

Among the local passengers sailing to-morrow on the liner Governor for San Francisco will be Walter Adams, of E. B. Marvin & Co., accompanied by Mrs. Adams and their son, Clifford. Clifford is shortly entering University of California at Berkeley, to take a course in civil engineering.

OLYMPIC ACCOUNTED FOR THREE U-BOATS

Capt. Hayes Got D. S. O., and members of Crew Bonus of $10,000

The White Star liner Olympic has transported across the Atlantic during the war hundreds of thousands of troops, both Canadian and American, without losing a single life, and incidentally has been instrumental in the destruction of there German submarines.

For sinking two U boats in one day, Capt. Hayes received the D. S. O., and also had the pelasure of distributing among the officers and crew a bonus of $10,000 given by the British Admiralty. The Olympic has had some narrow escapes from torpedoes, some missing her by only a few feet.

TIDE TABLE.

December.

	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht
	h. m.	ft	h. m.	ft	h. m.	ft	h. m.	ft
1	....	..	11.58	9.1	20.19	2.1	....	..
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19	7.18	8.8	9.42	8.6	13.41	9.5	22.16	0.9
20	7.40	8.8	10.50	8.3	14.20	8.9	22.55	1.6
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22	8.06	8.7	13.34	7.3	15.30	7.3	....	..
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The time used is Pacific Standard, for the 120th meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish high water from low water. Where blanks occur in the tables, the tide rises or falls continuously during two successive tidal periods without turning.

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MATCHLESS.

After serving a customer with bread the baker returned to his van. As he put his basket aboard he noticed a poorly-dressed man standing with one hand on the wheel.

"What do you want?" he asked.

The man made no reply as he held up his hand, disclosing a match.

"What are you going to do?" asked the puzzled baker, slightly alarmed.

The man yawned hard, pulled himself together, and then, with a frightful effort, spoke.

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WIRELESS REPORT

8 a. m.

Point Grey—Cloudy; S. E. fresh; 30.20; 30; fog seaward.

Cape Lazo—Overcast; S. E. light; 30.08; 34; sea smooth.

Pachena—Cloudy; S. E. light; 30.12; 40; sea moderate.

Estevan—Rain; S. E.; 29.98; 38; sea moderate.

Alert Bay—Rain; S. E. strong; 29.70; 40; sea moderate.

Triangle—Rain; S. E. strong; 29.91; 44; sea rough. Spoke steamer Jefferson, 6.30 p. m., off Pine Island, northbound; spoke steamer Harold Dollar, 10.10 p. m., 260 miles west of Cape Flattery, westbound.

Dead Tree Point—Cloudy; calm; 29.86; 35; sea smooth.

Prince Rupert—Rain; S. E.; moderate gale; 29.63; 38; sea moderate.

Noon.

Point Grey—Cloudy; S. E.; 30.20; 35; thick seaward.

Cape Lazo—Overcast; calm; 30.13; 36; sea smooth.

Pachena—Rain; S. E., light; 30.08; 46; sea moderate.

Estevan—Overcast; S. E.; 29.88; 44; sea moderate.

Alert Bay—Rain; S. E., strong; 29.66; 41; sea rough. Spoke str. Camosun, 11.30 a. m., Johnstone Strait, southbound.

Triangle—Rain; S. E.; 29.98; 44; sea rough. Spoke str. Princess Maquinna, 10.15 a. m., leaving Quatsino Sound, southbound.

Dead Tree Point — Clear; calm; 29.94; 42; sea smooth.

Princes Rupert—Overcast; calm; 29.70; 47; sea smooth.

THE DIVING TANK.

A new species of diving-bell which has been invented in America for salvage operations is described in Engineering.

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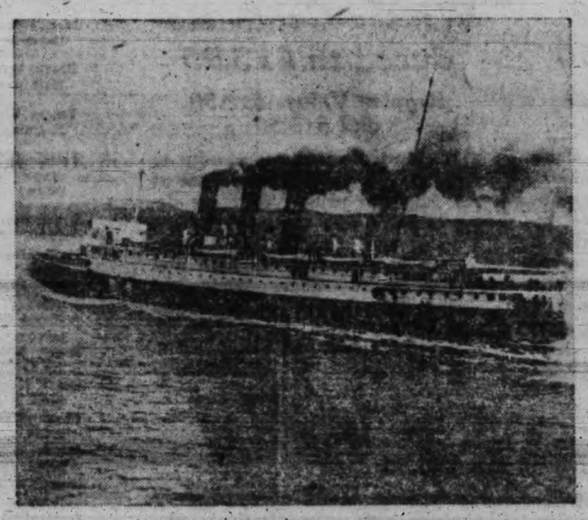

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WOULD HAVE GERMANS SUPPLY SINKING FUND

S. C. Thomson Thinks Teutons Should Guarantee Adequate Pensions to Disabled Allies

Writing to his friend J. G. Brown, of Victoria, in a letter dated a few days before the armistice, Sidney C. Thomson writes a graphic description of the closing stages of the great fight, describing in an interesting manner the big advances in the last drive. His description of the closing stages of the great fight, describing in an interesting manner the big advances in the last drive. His description of the reception to the victorious army accords with other letters received from men who helped to administer the final blow, and his description of the hatred and bitterness of the French people and incidents of the sufferings they have undergone during the years of war are told in a manner that carries convincing proof of German brutality. In part the letter reads:

"France, Nov. 8, 1918.

"My dear Jock,—

"Honestly it doesn't seem possible that we can have advanced so much in such a short while. Altogether now, we (the Canadians) have advanced about sixty miles since September 8 last, and coming after four years of practically nothing but trench warfare makes it seem all the less credible. We have moved our company four times during that period and expect to move again in a day or two. Each move we made was about fifteen miles, and now the Lord only knows where the line is. Fritz has carried out this retreat in a manner peculiarly his own and that is bien fait. But it is absolutely all up now with him. Four German delegates are on this side of the line discussing terms. Terms be damned, there should be none at all.

Girl Imprisoned.

"I would just like to give you one or two incidents that have been related to me by the people I'm billeted with. They have been Bosche prisoners for over four years and you will admit are pretty well entitled to speak. Before I go any farther please do not labor under the delusion that these evacuees are suffering from a distorted imagination, because you can take it from me, they are hot. They just tell me these things in a most matter of fact manner just as though they had been accustomed to such treatment which they sure got every day of their lives. Every French civilian over —— years of age was provided with a card of identity containing their photograph, and they were compelled to carry this with them wherever they went. If they stepped outside the door on to the sidewalk without it and they were caught, it meant a fine of anything from twenty to fifty francs, or eight days in prison.

"One young girl here about sixteen had no less than four little trips to prison for this offence. On another occasion she went to a town about ten miles away to see her father who was in hospital and she was caught without a permit and that cost her twenty-one days in prison. All lights had to be out and everybody in bed at eight every night, and just to show you how small Fritz was, he put the clock forward two hours instead of one. The grandmother of the house I am in was fined forty marks for a petty offence just before we entered the town, the Kominandautur gave her eight days to pay the fine or go to prison for fourteen days, but before the eight days of grace expired the Canucks had taken the town and perhaps the old girl isn't chuckling to herself because she beat old Fritz to it. The Canadians are certainly in right with the Frenchies. I have got a bed to sleep in and, although I roll out every morning about 5.30, there's always somebody out in the kitchen with a cup of hot coffee waiting for me, and the rest of the boys are all getting the same treatment. Our laundry and such minor things as mending clothes are all done for us and not a cent will they take from us. It is now a little over three weeks since Fritz parti-ed and these poor people haven't yet realized that he has gone, and this time for good. One hears on all sides how Fritz used to get the "wind up" as soon as our 'planes came over. I used to thing we had a rotten time when a Fritzy plane came over at night, but after comparing experiences I have come to the conclusion that we didn't know what an air raid was like.

"A certain railway station is a mute outstanding monument testifying to the efficiency and accuracy, not to mention nerve, of our airmen. You ought to see this railway station, but unfortunately it is in France; still one hopes that some of the German towns possess a few monuments comme ca.

The Ladies of Hell.

"A few words regarding the Jocks, or, as they are styled by the Frenchies 'Les dames du diable.' Heinie has a most unholy dread of them if one can judge by the description of the Bosche returning from the trenches after having had a rough old passage with the kilties. I'll give it to you as well as I can. One big German, who was billetted where I am now billetted, came back once from the trenches and had bumped into the Jocks for the first time and he was greatly disturbed about it. Madame asked him how he made out and he replied: 'Oh la la, ach Mein Gott, les dames du diable, oh la la,' and that was all he could say, so I gather from this that Scotty isn't very popular on the other side of the line. The damage to the houses isn't as great as I have seen in other parts of France, but the wanton destruction of factories, machinery, furniture, etc., doesn't abate any. I'm very glad to see that Foch has authority to settle with peace terms, etc., and a good job too. Keep the political muddlers out of it and let the real man who has brought this wonderful change about bring his work to a conclusion not successful but satisfactory to the people of the Allies which can only, in my humble opinion be obtained by forcing the Huns right to the dust, not on their knees, but on their faces.

"I heartily agree with Wilson's terms, but there is one point that appears to be overlooked, and I would sure like to see it included and that is the question of Germany providing a sinking fund sufficient to guarantee fully adequate pensions being paid to every disabled soldier of all the Allies and also to the widows and orphans for, say, a minimum period of twenty-five years. This could be done by placing certain industries under supervision and devoting the proceeds to this sinking fund. It would relieve the Allies of a great responsibility and would also give a certain amount of satisfaction to the recipients in having the real knowledge that Fritz was paying for his devilry. How in the name of heaven some of the towns are going to be rebuilt I don't know, as it will take so long to clear up the debris. Until such time as Germany liquidates all these obligations she should be held under proper surveillance.

Bitterness and Hate.

"The news to-day is great and the civilians are pretty well excited. Every night when I go to my billet I sit and talk with the folks for an hour or so, and it is wonderful and also terrible to see the bitterness shown when relating incidents of the past four years. One woman has not seen her husband since the beginning of the war. During that time she has never had a line from him. Now she is released, she finds that he was taken prisoner in 1915. Can you imagine her feelings? She has a little girl four years old who has never seen her father yet and the kiddy and I are great pals. I've seen a few women over here that are bitter against the Boche, but the mother of this babe has got anything beaten for bitterness I ever saw. I said to her jokingly last night that this war would soon be forgotten and she turned on me like a wildcat, as only a Frenchwoman can, and I'm not handing her any more jokes about the war. I honestly believe that she could slice a Hun up into pieces of two by four inches and then put him through a mincing machine to make sure that he was dead. Blame her? I should say not. Some of them cry their eyes out whilst relating their experiences, others keep silent, and some express their sentiment with a bitterness and hatred that human pen could not describe. When this war is over, if anyone deserves a place in the memory of the world, and a lasting monument for all time, believe me, there is no other possible candidate for such a place but the women of France. What they've suffered, what they've endured, how they've toiled, and all silently, without any outside show or demonstration, will never be thoroughly known, and even if it is will never and can never be properly realized. We are all on edge now as to how much longer it is going to last and we are down to betting on hours, not years, weeks, or even days, but hours, and there'll be a happy crowd here if it comes to an end.

"I remarked a long while ago that it had got to be pounded into Fritz's square head that he was licked, and he has sure received that pounding during the last three months.

Vive La Canada.

"The people here wondered who we were, as the Boche had told them some terrible tales about the Canadians and what they were like—one, for example, being that we were all niggers and very small, so you can imagine slightly how surprised they were when they met the genuine article."

HOPES THE PROVINCE APPRECIATES EFFORTS

Letter to Premier Talks of B. C.'s Position and Hunnish Bestiality

In a Christmas letter to Premier Oliver, John H. McNeice, of the Canadian Engineers, indicates that he has a shrewd appreciation of the task which besets the path of any individual who rises to the Premiership of the Province of British Columbia.

"I would like to have the satisfaction," he says, "of feeling that the people of the Province understand and appreciate what you are trying to do for them. I guess you think at times that you have an unthankful lot of people to work for, and I am sure that the position of Premier of British Columbia at this juncture is no bed of roses. However, you have never had a bed of roses in the public affairs of the province; but if things are still in a bad way you will know how to deal with them."

The writer goes on to describe his part in the great adventure and proceeds: "I have had an eventful time while in France. I was in Lens, Douai, Valenciennes and other towns among the first British troops to take possession from the retreating Germans. I am glad I came because I have seen for myself to what lengths the Germans will go. They are just grey beasts, nothing else. To see miles and miles of ruined country and everything else ruined that came within their reach, makes one wonder whether they were human at all.

"In Lille the last thing they did to a lot of women folk was to inoculate them with venereal germs. If you can think of anything lower than that I can't. In the town of Douai before they got out a German soldier was placed on sentry before each door while another one went inside with an axe and smashed everything up: beds, mirrors, tables, crockery. Even children's toys were smashed up. From what I saw—and I was in Douai for four days—nothing escaped them.

"Even at that," the letter concludes, "Douai was fortunate compared with Lens, which town is a complete wreck with practically everything gone."

SMOKING CONCERT

Army and Navy Veterans to Hold Social at Alexandra Club; Fine Programme.

The Army and Navy Veterans of Canada, Victoria unit, will hold a smoking concert at the Alexandra Club to-night to bid farewell to Bandmaster Will Edmunds, who is shortly leaving for Prince Rupert.

An excellent musical programme has been prepared in anticipation of the attendance of a large number of the Veterans and their lady friends. Instrumental solos and duets will be given by Bandmaster Lowndes, of H. M. S. Lancaster, and Bandmaster Will Edmunds; banjo selections by Mr. and Miss Menelaws; songs by Q.-M.-S. Gillam, W. O. Hadley, J. Helmsing and others; band selections by the 5th C. G. A. band and the band of the Army and Navy Veterans; while Sergt. Mylrea and Mr. Brown will contribute pianoforte solos.

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—Novelty Coat of heavy navy velour with large storm collar and cuffs of beaver cloth; lined with Paisley silk poplin. Size 36. Regular $52.50. Sale price, $29.50.

—Handsome Green Velour Coat in high waist style with novelty belt, large black fur collar; lined with fancy silk. Size 16. Regular $52.50. Sale price, $29.50.

—Many other beautiful models in black, navy, taupe, reindeer, prune, wine, brown and green. Regular $42.50 and $52.50. Sale price, $29.50.

Our Entire Stock of Millinery Reduced to $2.50

Regular $5.00 to $13.50 Values

This offering involves our entire stock of Millinery, which includes beautiful velours, handsome velvet shapes, and a number of pattern Hats that were formerly priced from $5.00 to $13.50. This is a rare opportunity to purchase a Winter Hat at a fraction of the original value. Sale price **$2.50**

Women's Stylish Coats Marked Down to $19.50

Regular Values $25.00 to $29.50

These stylish and practical Coats were formerly marked at $25.00, $27.50 and $29.50, but during our Ready-to-Wear Sale we have remarked them at a price that is a marked advantage to you. They are made of tweeds, in plain and mixed tones. Well tailored styles, with large storm collars, belts and pockets. Size 16 to 44. Sale price **$19.50**

Women's Warm Winter Coats Reduced to $13.95

Regular Values $17.50 and $19.50

This affords you an opportunity to purchase a warm Winter Coat at a very low price. They are developed of wool tweeds in broken plaids and checks, also frieze cloth in plain grey, in light and dark shades. These Coats are made just as stylish as the higher priced garments. Sizes 16 to 38. Regular $17.50 and $19.50. Sale price **$13.95**

Girls' Winter Coats, Special $15.95

Regular Values $25.00

Here's a big saving on Girls' Winter Coats. They are made of good quality black plush. Full cut styles, lined throughout with quilted Italian cloth; large storm collar and belt. Sizes 8 to 15 years. Regular $25.00. Sale price **$15.95**

A Most Important Disposal of Beautiful Furs

Notwithstanding the fact that Furs have advanced greatly in price, it is imperative that we employ this drastic price-reducing method of reducing our stock of stylish Furs.

These reductions on rich, dependable Furs should appeal to every distinctively-dressed woman. Read each item.

Beautiful Taupe Wolf Cape, large size, satin lined. Regular $69.50. Sale price..... **$49.50**

Handsome Natural Lynx Stole, large animal style, satin lined. Regular $67.50. Sale price **$49.50**

Large Natural Wolf Cape. Regular $40.00. Sale price **$29.50**

Handsome Black Wolf Stole, large animal style, satin lined. Regular $69.50. Sale price, **$49.50**

Black Wolf Stole, snake style. Regular $49.50. Sale price **$37.50**

Taupe Wolf Stole, very large skin, satin lined. Regular $69.50. Sale price..... **$49.50**

Handsome Taupe Wolf Stole, large animal style, crepe de chine lined. Regular $75.00. Sale price **$59.50**

Black and Natural Wolf Stoles. Regular $9.50. Sale price **$6.95**

Natural Wolf Stole. Regular $14.50. Sale price **$11.45**

Natural Wolf Stole. Regular $17.50. Sale price **$12.95**

Natural Wolf Stole. Regular $20.00. Sale price **$14.95**

Black Manchurian Wolf Cape. Regular $18.50. Sale price **$12.95**

Black Korean Wolf Stole. Regular $17.50. Sale price **$12.95**

Black Wolf Cape. Regular $23.50. Sale price **$17.95**

Black Wolf Ties. Regular $15.00. Sale price **$11.45**

Silver Fox Stole. Regular $25.00. Sale price **$18.95**

Australian Fox Stole. Regular $20.00. Sale price **$14.95**

Black Dog Muff, melon style. Regular $8.00. Sale price **$5.95**

Black Wolf Muff, mellon style, finished with head, claws and tail. Regular $11.50. Sale price **$8.95**

Mink Marmot Muff, barrel style. Regular $16.50. Sale price **$12.95**

Natural Wolf Muff, colonial style, finished head and brush. Regular $13.50. Sale Price **$10.95**

Natural Wolf Muff, rug style. Regular $12.50. Sale price **$9.95**

Natural Muskrat Muff, rug style. Regular $25.00. Sale price..... **$16.95**

Natural Wolf Muff, colonial style, finished head and tail. Regular $16.75. Sale price **$13.95**

Natural Wolf Muff, colonial style. Regular $18.50. Sale price..... **$12.95**

Canadian Coon Muff, Balmont style. Regular $37.50. Sale Price .. **$26.50**

Red Fox Muff, finished head and tail. Regular $20.00. Sale price... **$14.95**